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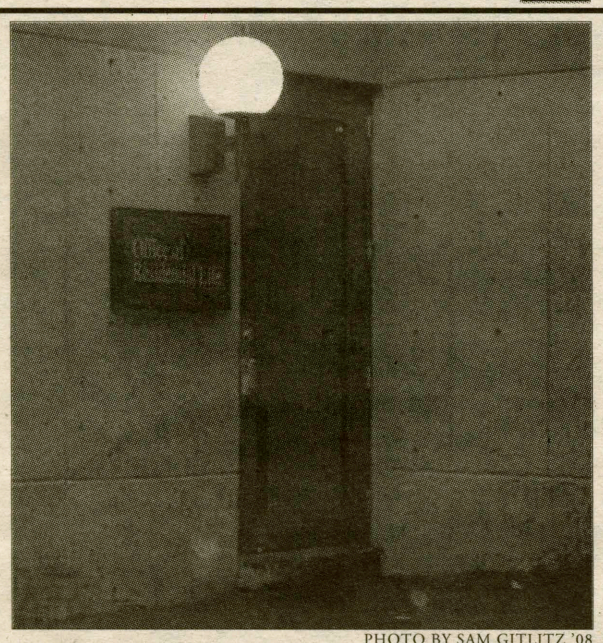

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Residential Life has posted housing lottery numbers on My Hamilton.

Willemsen leaving position of Associate Dean of Students

by Emma Furman '07
NEWS EDITOR

After a four year tenure as Associate Dean of Students for Hamilton College, Christina Willemsen will be leaving her position to resume work on her dissertation. Taking her place will be James S. Sherman Associate Professor of Government Philip Klinkner, who has been a professor at Hamilton since 1995.

Willemsen taught one class at Hamilton before being asked by Former Dean Flossie Mitchell if she would be interested in this position in the Dean of Student's Office. She continued teaching during some of her time as Associate Dean of Students as well.

"I've taught Intro to Politcal Theory twice," said Willemsen, and went on to add that she taught a class called Civil Society in America as well. Although she will be leaving her position in the Dean of Student's Office, Willemsen will be teaching a sophomore seminar course next semester entitled Globalization and Democracy.

Willemsen has not taught at Hamilton since the second year of her tenure as Associate Dean of Students, and seemed to be looking forward to having the opportunity to teach again, as well as have time to work on her dissertation. She began graduate work on a PhD in Political Theory at Harvard University before moving to the area five and a half years ago.

Willemsen also commented on her position as Associate Dean of Students, describing her job and the work she does with students as "very satisfying."

"Even though I'm working with very difficult situations," she said, "I like working with the students."

Willemsen also expressed how much she has enjoyed working with her colleagues at the Dear of Students Office,

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Blackburn gives 2005 Truax lecture

by Jenny Brown '07
NEWS WRITER

A philosophical lecture last Monday night left the students and faculty in the Fillius Events Barn debating their perceptions of ethics, values, liberalism and religion. The man responsible for triggering this philosophical contemplation was Simon Blackburn, the 2005 Truax lecturer.

Simon Blackburn is a philosophy professor at the University of Cambridge and a fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge.

He has written several books, including *Ruling Passions*, which is "a major contribution to philosophy and a classic in ethical theory," according to Philosophy Professor Richard Werner.

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Life trustee Bacot passes away at 72

by Emma Furman '07
NEWS EDITOR

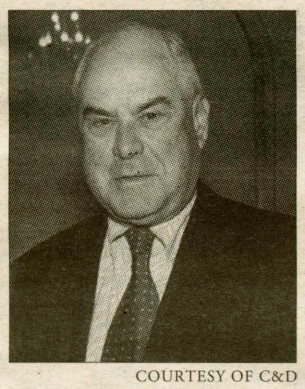
Hamilton experienced another tragic loss this week as J. Carter Bacot '55, Board of Trustees Chairman Emeritus passed away yesterday. He was only 72, and his death came unexpectedly to those close to him.

After graduating from Hamilton in 1955, Bacot went on to study at Cornell Law School. Following his studies he became involved in the banking business and served as the president of The Bank of New York for eight years and its CEO and chairman for sixteen.

Bacot has always held Hamilton close to his heart, and his dedication to his alma matter has proved infalliable over the years. He was Chairman of the Board of Trustees from 1990 to 1994, and he and his wife were invaluable in the creation of the Bacot, Gunn, Kempf Family Scholarship for Hamilton students. He was also influential in donating to the Sidney Wertimer Professorship.

Bacot is survived by his wife of 44 years, Shirley and their two daughters, Elizabeth Betsy Bacot-Aigner '84 and Susan C. Bacot '84.

Donations in honor of Bacot can be made to the Bacot Family scholarship.



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Bacot helped establish a scholarship for Hamilton students.

Lecture series to honor Dick Couper '44, trustee of 46 years

by Katie Stinchfield '07
NEWS WRITER

The Hamilton College chapter of Phi Beta Kappa announced a new lecture series, the Couper Phi Beta Kappa Lecture, in honor of alumnus Dick Couper '44. According to a recent press release from the Communications Department, Couper has been a trustee for the past 46 years.

The lecture series has been established to recognize his commitment to the College.

"He has shown his support for the College in a myriad of ways, including his contributions to Burke Library for special purchases and his establishment of an endowment for the Couper Librarian," stated a spokesperson of the new series.

Couper is a long supporter of both the Hamilton and national chapters of Phi Beta Kappa, and is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate himself. He served as both president and CEO of the New York Public Library, and as the New York State Education Department's deputy commissioner of higher education.

Couper has also served as president of the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. He and his wife established the Williams-Watrous-Couper Fund as well was the Couper Phi Beta Kappa Book

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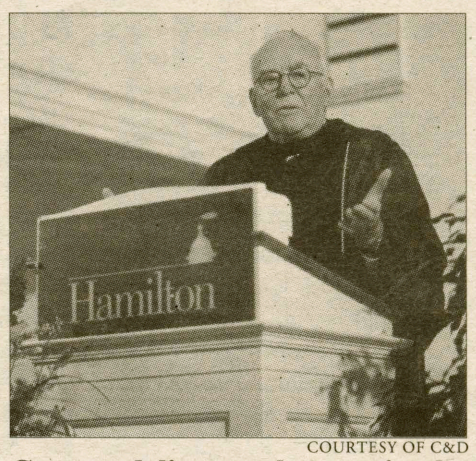

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Couper delivers a lecture in the Chapel.

SA votes unanimously to endorse Honor Code changes

by Ian Mandel '06
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The Student Assembly (SA) unanimously passed changes to Hamilton College's Honor Code on Monday, clearing the way for the revised text to be voted on by the student body. If approved by student referendum, the Honor Code would be put to a vote of the faculty for final approval before going into effect.

The Code was revised by outgoing Associate Dean of Students (Academics) Christina Willemsen and was unanimously passed by SA at their weekly meeting on Monday.

"Originally, Dean Willemsen had consulted with different members of the Honor Court, and then it was brought to the Committee on Student Activities to get initial feedback," SA President Michael

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Garland lectures on fame and celebrity in antiquity

by Jessica Tepper '07
NEWS WRITER

Robert Garland, Professor of Classics at Colgate University, gave a lecture to the Hamilton community on March 31 titled "From Media Tarts to Tabloid Queens: Attention-Seeking in Antiquity." His talk is part of the Hamilton Department of Classics Winslow Lecture series.

"The subject of one segment of our senior seminar is ancient attitudes toward disability," commented Professor of Classics Carl Rubino. "Since Robert Garland has written an important book on this topic, we invited him to visit the seminar and also to give a lecture on a related subject of his own choosing."

Garland discussed the concept of celebrity in contemporary society and compared this phenomenon to the desires for fame that prevailed in ancient Greece and Rome.

"There are very real connections between the ancient world and our own," notes Rubino, "and we can learn a great deal about our own lives by studying the Greek and Roman classics."

Contrary to popular belief, the idea of celebrity is not a new phenomenon, created by the technological age. Rather, the desire for fame has always existed implicitly in humans, tracing to classical periods. Garland notes that an obsession with gaining immortal fame and glory was the driving force for the Homeric hero. The Roman world equated star status with military triumph and the most glamorous profession was that of the gladiator. Famed for their alleged sexual potency, gladiators existed as objects of desire for men and women of all ages.

Today, Socrates is one of the best known Athenians, earning such renown through his striking intellect. He was incredibly visible in Athenian society, and was caricatured in Aristophanes' comedy, "The Clouds." In effect, the play's depiction of this ancient thinker was used against him in his eventual trial, rendering Socrates the "first victim of celebrity," as Garland noted.

Caesar was one of the first humans to grasp the value of popularity and mass appeal. He adorned himself in flashy wings– an early instance of accessorizing-and wore a wreath to disguise his baldness.

In other self-expanding efforts, Caesar imprinted his face on coins, which were then spread throughout the empire. He also staged gladiatorial conquests as a tactic to present himself in front of an arena of masses. By enhancing his appearance and propagating this image, Caesar gained exorbitant amounts of fame and appeal.

Emperor Augustus used similar tactics, such as minting his face on every coin in circulation, commissioning a stereotypical self-portrait in sculpture and reproducing the icon throughout his empire. Garland notes that the cult of celebrity around these political figures was influential enough to play a role in the breakdown of the Roman republic.

In contrast to these ancient stars, Garland defines today's conception of celebrity as a con

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Blackburn "one of the major players in the field of metaethics"

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uted to the Oxford Dictionary of Philosophy, and his most recent book, *Lust*, is part of a series on the seven deadly sins.

The lecture, Werner said, was "an adventure in ethics, an adventure into liberalism, religion and the source of value."

Werner described and paraphrased Blackburn's approach to ethics, "he makes his responses mature, imaginative, cultured, sympathetic and coherent," Werner said. "He thinks deeply about human life."

During his lecture, Blackburn discussed the importance of human emotion and its vital role in society' s morals and values, saying that "we create our own notion of what is moral, what is political and what is right."

Werner commented on Blackburn's emphasis on emotions after the lecture: "Blackburn makes the emotions a legitimate and essential part of moral theory while remaining true to our common sense beliefs about right and wrong."

In this way, Blackburn follows eighteenth century philosopher David Hume because he believes that although "ethics is rooted in the emotions, it is no threat to the legitimacy and justifiability of our moral judgments."

According to Werner, Blackburn also agrees with Hume in his opinions about values.

"Values are grounded not in some supernatural Disneyworld but in the here and now, in the natural world as we know it, including our biology and our common biological and social evolution," Werner added.

Werner said he wanted students to understand this vital point of Blackburn's lecture: "values are based not on divine commands, but on our passion for our collective well-being."

Blackburn calls this ideology "the common point of view." It is humans' "ability and desire and need to identify our well-being with everyone's well-being because of our common moral sensibilities including especially sympathy and empathy," Werner said.

As Blackburn mentioned in his lecture, "we are forced to recognize our own responsibility," including these moral sensibilities.

On the other hand, Philosophy Professor Marianne Janack hopes students "learn to see ethical debates in a new light, and to see that philosophers can actually disagree about many of these things, and yet engage in spirited debates."

Werner was also in agreement with Janack, recalling the words of his graduate professor, Lewis White Beck, who said, "A necessary condition, when there are two philosophers in a room, is that at least two people are disagreeing."

Following his professor's advice, Werner added that though he agreed with much of Blackburn's lecture, he disagreed with some of his fundamental objectives about the "fact/value dichotomy."

Blackburn was asked to be a Truax lecturer because the series looks for philosophers who have achieved a level of international recognition and whose studies interest the department, Professor Janack explained.

"Blackburn is one of the major players in the field of metaethics, a field dedicated to the metaphysical and epistemological issues that arise in ethical theory," Janack said.

"He has the ability to take common sense and elevate it to philosophical heights," Werner said. "He has climbed further up the mountain than most of us."

"Blackburn is that rare and wonderful combination of academic philosopher and public intellectual, whose ideas and influence extend far beyond the confines of his discipline," Werner concluded.

Artist, Prof. William Behnken speaks on "A Printmaker's Journey"

by Tess Patalano '07
NEWS WRITER

Last Wednesday, art lovers and curious students gathered in the Chemistry Auditorium to watch William Behnken give a slide lecture about printmaking and his own development as an artist.

Printmaking is a process for producing a work of art in ink by inscribing images into a block, most commonly a metal plate, and reproducing the images onto a flat surface.

Bill is a professor of art at City College of New York and teaches printmaking at the Art Students League and National Academy of Design. He is a past president of the Society of American Graphic Artists and is currently a member of the National Academy of Design and Boston Printmakers.

"Bill was invited to lecture because he has been a successful printmaker, which can be a difficult field in which to establish oneself as an artist," stated Susanna White, registrar and curator of the Emerson Gallery.

Professor-printmaker Bruice Muirhead introduced his good friend Mr. Behnken, noting with a hint of irony that if it were not for a Hamilton student many years back, the two artists might have never met.

Professor Muirhead reminisced about the time a young student, Michael Hew Wing '99, knocked on his office door in the basement of Dunham, asking to take his printmaking course.

Muirhead explained the difficulty of printmaking and the various requirements Michael would need. Michael asked to show Muirhead his prints, and the professor was astonished by Michael's work.

Muirhead inquired where Michael learned to print and Michael replied, "My teacher Bill," as if he were referring to a Jedi Knight, Muirhead jokingly remembers. Michael took Muirhead's class, Muirhead was soon introduced to Bill Behnken and they have been friends ever since.

Behnken began his slideshow with paintings he did at his early stages as an artist. Living in NYC, Behnken received inspiration from galleries such as the Met. He knew he didn't want to paint the model in the classroom because it didn't have meaning enough. He focused on what moves him, and he described an ineffable feeling when uncovering what works.

"You know what it is when it strikes you," Behnken described. As the slideshow progressed his focus shifted to printmaking. His works focus on the importance of light and the relationship of tones. Many of his prints portray motifs of cityscapes.

"I focus on shapes and tones, not storytelling," Benken explained. The cutting angles of Queens and the Bronx, the light created by elevated subways and cutting through alleyways caught Behnken's creative eye.

"I would visit people in their houses and see something out their window and ask if I could come back with materials and draw," he said.

But Behnken encountered a bit of an artistic problem when he went to live and teach in Provincetown Cape Cod, a haven for young artists. The forms of the city that ignited Behnken's prints were no longer there, and in their place were beaches and seagulls.

"I wasn't going to do birds, that was too easy," Behnken joked. Yet Provincetown provided him with the opportunity to meet other artists with different styles and no arrogance.

He showed magnificent prints demonstrating how light gleamed on Cape Cod Bay, and another print entitled "Lamplight" illustrating the harmony of forms and illumination on a suburban street.

It was in Cape Cod that Behnken taught Michael Hew Wing. Michael stayed with Behnken and learned about mezzotint printmaking.

He concluded his presentation by addressing young artists trying to establish themselves.

Behnken described that being an artist is first about being connected to your work. "An artist's journey is one that doesn't end," he said.

He explained that artists can't take a number of courses and compile a resume in order to be successful, but must find self discovery, be close with other artists and share with them.

Behnken's lifelong passion for art proves that you can find success in something you love. "Learn it well and do it for you and your career will follow," he advised students.

Behnken donated two of his prints to the Gallery after his talk—"Anniversary", 1995, mezzotint, in honor of Michael Hew Wing ' 99, and "Quiet Night, 1991, aquatint, in honor of Bruce Muirhead.

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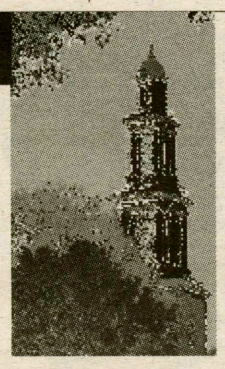

THE NEWS AT COLLEGES ACROSS THE LAND

Compiled by Jon Kuhl '06

Students Surfing Net for Textbook Deals

University of Nevada at Las Vegas graduate student Lindsay Hendricks treks to the campus bookstore each semester armed with her course list, but if she doesn't find what she wants, her next stop is the Internet.

With textbook prices rising - more than 60 percent over the past decade, one report found - students are increasingly turning to the Internet to look for deals.

Hendricks, 26, said she found "How to Think Straight About Psychology," which normally sells for $40, for just $5 on Amazon.com.

"In graduate college we're all about cheap books," she said.

According to a 2004 study by the California Student Public Interest Research Group, 14 percent of students bought or sold books online or at a book swap, but 86 percent considered it.

In 2003, a survey by the trade group National Association of College Stores in Oberlin, Ohio, found that about 14 percent of college students buy textbooks online, up from just 6 percent in 1999.

Al Greco, a Fordham University marketing professor who follows trends in the college textbook industry, said Internet textbook sales are growing because students have figured out they can save as much as half the book's cost that way.

"It's the wave of the future," he said.

Traditional booksellers shrug off the competition.

"It's something we have to deal with because it's there," said Frank Condello, marketing director for Nebraska Book Co., which operates 112 college bookstores. "As to whether or not it's going to drive us out of business, no way."

Jennifer Libertowski, spokeswoman for the National Association of College Stores, said the best way for campus bookstores to compete with increasing Internet sales will be to offer a large number of affordable used books.

And no wonder. According to the California Public Interest Research Group, the average student will spend nearly $900 each year on textbooks, with prices increasing at more than four times the rate of inflation.

Professor Accused of Stealing Manure

ROCKPORT, Mass. (AP) -- A Harvard economics professor has been accused of neglecting the standard market practice of paying for goods and services by trying to steal a truckload of manure from a horse farmer.

Stable manager Phillip Casey says Martin Weitzman, Harvard University's Ernest E. Monrad Professor of Economics, has been stealing manure from Charlie Lane's Rockport farm for years.

Police said said Casey found Weitzman on the property last Friday, so he blocked in Weitzman's pickup truck and called police. Weitzman got angry, Casey said, then offered to pay for the manure he'd already taken. But Casey said he wouldn't budge because he wanted the thefts to stop.

"He offered me $20 for it and then $40 for it," Casey said.

Casey said the land was marked private property and Weitzman, 63, had been warned before.

"He's been doing it for years," Casey told the Gloucester Daily Times.

The farm sells the manure for $35 a truckload and also uses it to fertilize a pasture.

Rockport police officer Michael Marino said Weitzman, who lives in neighboring Gloucester, is charged with larceny under $250, trespassing, and malicious destruction of property for tearing up some land with his tires.

Weitzman did not immediately return calls to his home or office on Wednesday morning. His attorney also did immediately return a call on Wednesday.

WORLD NEWS

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Pope Considered Resigning at Age 80

VATICAN CITY (AP) -- Pope John Paul II, weighed down by illness and age, considered resigning as he turned 80 in 2000, according to his last will and testament published Thursday. The pope also wrote of tormented times for himself and the church and left instructions for his notes to be burned.

The document, written in several entries over 22 years, provides extraordinary insight into the pope's thinking in the twilight of his life as he reflected about death and his legacy, and as he prayed for the "necessary strength" to continue his mission.

"The times in which we live are unutterably difficult and disturbed," he wrote in 1980, according to the official Vatican translation from Polish. "The path of the church has also become difficult and tense ... both for the faithful and for pastors."

John Paul's funeral Friday promised to be one of the largest Western religious gatherings of modern times, conducted with the pomp of an ancient liturgy and attended by royalty, political power brokers and multitudes of the faithful.

Throngs of pilgrims - the hardiest of some 4 million who flooded Rome - were rewarded for holding out after police closed off the line Wednesday night waiting to view John Paul's remains in St. Peter's Basilica. In the morning, the barriers were lifted for more mourners as the numbers who said a personal farewell approached 2 million since the body went on public view Monday. The basilica's towering bronze doors were closed late Thursday.

Pilgrims staked out positions with sleeping bags and blankets just outside St. Peter's Square, getting as close they could to the scene of the funeral - even though they will see little more than the same images on giant television screens as could be seen elsewhere in the city.

Rome groaned under the weight of visitors. Side streets were clogged in a permanent pedestrian rush hour, mostly by kids with backpacks. Tent camps sprang up to take the spillover from hotels. Hawkers jacked up prices of everything from bottled water to papal trinkets.

"You really have to love the pope to be willing to do this," said Nathanael Valdenaire, a young Frenchman who slept on the pavement in a sleeping bag alongside his sisters.

As dignitaries poured into the city, Rome's security agencies - bolstered by NATO surveillance aircraft high overhead - cranked up their defenses against everything from terrorism to unruly crowds.

Rome authorities planned to lock down the city. Starting Thursday night, vehicle traffic was banned from the city center. Air space was closed, and anti-aircraft batteries outside town were on alert. Naval ships patrolled both the Mediterranean coast and the Tiber River near Vatican City, the tiny sovereign city-state encompassed by the Italian capital.

President Bush, along with former presidents Bill Clinton and George H.W. Bush, knelt and prayed at the side of the pope's bier Wednesday night, then paid a courtesy call Thursday on Italian President Carlo Azeglio Ciampi. They planned dinner with Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi.

The U.S. delegation was to be joined Friday by Prince Charles, who postponed his own wedding by one day to honor the pope; by U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan; and by representatives of more than 80 countries. Jewish and Muslim religious leaders will be there, along with Israel's foreign minister and the head of the Arab League.

In a March 1979 entry to his testament, John Paul said he left no material property and asked that his longtime private secretary, Archbishop Stanislaw Dziwisz, burn all his personal notes.

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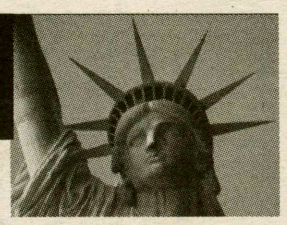

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Democrats Weigh 2006 Challenge to DeLay

HOUSTON (AP) -- Democrats, who often ignored Rep. Tom DeLay's Republican-leaning district, see a political opening in 2006 now that the House Majority leader faces ethics questions and dismay over his intervention in the Terri Schiavo case.

Democratic activists in the suburban Houston district have been composing a wish list of possible candidates as the embattled DeLay answers questions about his record.

In past elections, the Republican who won his House seat in 1984 has coasted to victory, often with more than 60 percent of the vote. Last November he won by 55-41 percent.

This week, a Houston Chronicle poll in the district found that 49 percent said they would vote for someone else. That number has sparked the most interest in a Democratic primary in the district in years.

"Now that DeLay is being pushed ever closer to the political brink, everyone is realizing that any of these challengers on his worst day might be better than DeLay on his best day," said longtime Democratic strategist Kelly Fero.

Not so, said Shannon Flaherty, a spokeswoman for DeLay, who dismissed suggestions that the Republican is vulnerable on his home turf in 2006.

"While he never takes an election for granted, he consistently outperforms his opponents because the voters know when it comes to the issues they care about ... Tom DeLay delivers for the people of the 22nd District," Flaherty said.

Among the potential Democratic challengers:

-Richard Morrison, a lawyer from Sugar Land, Texas, captured 41 percent of the vote with only $630,000 against DeLay's $2.9 million in last November's election. Morrison is favored by local Democratic activists who believe he deserves their loyalty for his strong showing.

-Houston City Councilman Gordon Quan, a Chinese-American immigration lawyer, could capitalize on the district's growing Asian and South Asian population.

-Former Rep. Nick Lampson, whose district was redrawn to favor the GOP and covered areas that DeLay now represents, including the NASA area and Galveston. Lampson said he has been approached by several people but hasn't decided whether to run.

A nascent effort to draft former Rep. Chris Bell fizzled when Bell responded to e-mailers that he preferred to focus on his gubernatorial ambitions.

The House ethics committee admonished DeLay three times last year, and new questions have been raised in recent weeks about his overseas travel. Three DeLay associates are under indictment on state charges in Austin in connection with an effort to redraw the state's congressional districts.

Pfizer Takes Painkiller Bextra Off Market

WASHINGTON (AP) -- The blockbuster painkiller Bextra was yanked off the market Thursday, and the government ordered that 19 other popular prescription competitors - from Celebrex to Mobic to high-dose naproxen - carry tough new warnings that they, too, may increase the risk of heart attacks and strokes.

The warnings encompass an entire class of anti-inflammatory medicines called NSAIDs that are the backbone of U.S. pain treatment, not just newer versions of the painkillers initially suspected when the heart concerns made headlines last fall.

The warnings - in black boxes, the strongest the Food and Drug Administration can order - are likely to cause confusion because they won't tell patients and doctors which of these prescription drugs is a safer choice.

In addition, the FDA will make over-the-counter NSAIDs, or nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, such as ibuprofen, naproxen and ketoprofen bear stronger reminders to take only low doses for a few days at a time to avoid the same risks of high-dose, long-term use.

Worried patients immediately began calling doctors and pain groups to ask what drug they should take. The FDA advised patients to ask which painkiller is best suited to their personal health risks, and then take the lowest dose possible.

There simply isn't enough research yet to rank which drug will pose fewer heart problems, said FDA drug chief Dr. Steven Galson. "A lot of the data conflicts," he said.

Garland sheds light on history of our celebrity obsession

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sequence of strategic self-presentation, achieved through the act of shaping one's self for others. Today, celebrity status has become an all-encompassing identity. It is, in effect, an amalgam of talent, lifestyle, charisma and sex appeal and "attainable by any jackass today," Garland affirms.

Exemplified in reality television shows, such as "I want a famous face," our culture has a fascination with what it means to be a celebrity, rather than what it takes to gain true fame. By contrast, in ancient Athens the glory of fame was earned through the merits of intellect.

Garland also discussed our culture's sick obsession with the private life of celebrities. We follow their fortunes, revel in their indiscretions, and rouse voraciously in their downfall, he noted. We take increasing pleasure in cutting celebrities down, apparent in the growing cult of celebrity trashing where the goal is "to catch stars in situations where they look gross or fat, or like the rest of us all the time," comments Garland.

Furthermore, celebrity status has become an all-encompassing identity. Our culture increasingly blurs the distinction of musical artist and film star, athlete and sexual object, politician and fashion model, and so on. We have moved to the position of mere faith in celebrity as an invaluable endorsement of high office. In the last twenty-five years celebrity has depreciated to a mere reflection of attention span and the issues that engage it. He notes that celebrities of today have lost the enigmatic allure possessed by their ancient counterparts.

"I thought the lecture was very good," commented Rubino. "Garland made his points well and related well to the audience by making numerous connections to life today."

Garland concluded that the topic of celebrity reveals much about the value systems, concerns and sense of self in the ancient world.

Klinkner appointed to Associate Dean of Students position

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where she will be greatly missed.

"She has been a wonderful colleague and friend who has served our students and the College with great compassion and professionalism," said Dean of Students Nancy Thompson of Willemsen in a recent campus e-mail.

Thompson later commented further on Willemsen and the work she has done for Hamilton: "Chris is exceptionally compassionate and fair. She is a strong advocate for students and has a great sense of humor. She's been a wonderful colleague and we will miss her."

Klinkner will be assuming this three-year appointment as Associate Dean of Students as of July 1, 2005.

"He was offered the position after interviewing with a number of people from the Division of Student Life and Kirk Pillow from the Dean of the Faculty's office," said Thompson of Klinkner's appointment.

Also according to Thompson, there will be no significant changes in the duties of Associate Dean of Students once Klinkner assumes the position "except that Professor Klinkner will be chairing the Campus Coalition on Alcohol."

When asked about the possible cancellation of two classes that he was scheduled to be teaching in the fall, Klinkner commented that the department is "in the midst of hiring a replacement."

Klinkner, like Willemsen, will continue teaching while holding his position in the Dean's Office, beginning with a senior project seminar he will be teaching next semester.

Klinkner also commented on his new colleagues: "I have an immense amount of respect for the student life division and am looking forward to working with them."

He went on to say that he was also "looking forward to helping students" as Associate Dean of Students.

Klinkner completed his graduate studies at Yale and is the former director of the Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center. He has also published extensively on American Studies.

Couper was honored with Hamilton Volunteer of the Year Award in 2004

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Prize. His involvement and contributions to Hamilton earned him the College's 2004 Volunteer of the Year Award.

The Couper Phi Beta Kappa Lecture Series is a joint project of the Office of the Vice President of Academic Affairs, Burke Library, and the Hamilton Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

The series will invite one speaker each fall either to discuss topics related to Hamilton's special library collections or to speak about issues related to libraries in general.

"We are hoping to use this series to showcase the Hamilton College special collections, so we expect to invite scholars who have used our collections and archives to talk about their work with the collection," said English Professor Margaret Thickstun.

Students expressed interest in the new series and its potential. "I would be really interested in hearing about a special [library] collection on the relationship between disconfirmation and confirmation and how that relates to communications as a whole," said Chris Schimpf '07.

David Stam, the series' inaugural speaker and the former Andrew W. Mellon Director of the Research Libraries at New York, will speak on Friday, Sept. 9 in the Chapel. Stam is currently the University Librarian Emeritus at Syracuse University.

According to the Communication Department's press release, Stam is organizing an exhibit of Artic books, many of which come from Burke Library. He will present his collection to the Grolier's Club in December.

Guidelines for reporting Honor Code violations altered

from ***SA****, page 1*

Blasie '07 stated.

Blasie serves on the Committee along with SA Vice President Ben Johnston '07, Dean of Student Nancy Thompson, two College trustees and several members of the faculty. He asserted that the Committee suggested further revisions which were considered by Willemsen before the proposed Code was presented to SA.

Changes to the Honor Code include numerous changes in wording and several specific alterations to the text.

"There were two main, big changes. The first was the actual pledge, which is what people will sign, and the second is later on in the Honor Code with the distribution of the XF," Blasie stated.

According to the Honor Code, the grade of "XF" is assigned to students who were "Removed from the course for academic dishonesty" and numerically equals an FF. According to Blasie, students will now be able to petition the College to remove an XF after two years, a factor he asserted would disproportionately affect upperclassmen punished for academic dishonesty.

The part of the pledge pertaining to reporting Honor Code violations has been changed to broaden to actions students may take in response to witnessing a violation.

The text formerly read, "It is my obligation to take action and to report violations of the Honor Code to the proper authorities."

The new version revises this clause to say, "I understand that I am obligated to respond by taking appropriate action," and suggests students report academic dishonesty to the instructor, to the Honor Court or to the dean of students.

Furthermore, the revised Code states that, "I may request that an instructor proctor an exam if I believe cheating is occurring; or I may talk to a student who I believe may be violating the Honor Code."

Blasie asserted that the new wording provides students with more ways of dealing with potential violations.

SA discusses campus issues

In addition to discussing and voting on the changes made to the Honor Code, SA discussed and addressed other issues and weekly business.

The Food Committee reported that a plan to initiate diner delivery service will be pushed off until next semester. Committee Chair Zoë Baldwin '06 asserted that the next project will be an attempt to open the Backus House one day per week for student-faculty meals. A member of SA also raised concerns about the cleanliness of salad in the dining halls, asserting that several students had complained of finding things such as plastic mixed in with the lettuce.

The Student Interest Committee discussed the newly created Sidney Wertimer, Jr. Award for faculty members involved in all different aspects of student-life to be voted on exclusively by students; a scheduled meeting between village of Clinton business proprietors and students; and the placement of a suggestion box in Beinecke.

The Facilities Committee addressed student confusion about where to take out equipment for the games located in the Fireplace Lounge and discussed future plans to run a jitney to Utica and Syracuse to provide access to transportation hubs before breaks.

The Diversity and Disabilities (D&D) Committee discussed a plan to implement new orientation activities for international students.

"They don't know about a lot of the resources we have on campus and a lot of the channels through which to get things, so we want to spend some time with them," D&D Chair Michael Viveiros '08 stated.

Some SA members also asked who will be filling the position of dean of students for multicultural affairs for the next year, a position currently being held in interim by Roxanne Bellamy-Campbell. Blasie asserted that he was not sure the position would exist after this year because of a pending reorganization of the dean of students office.

The Social Awareness Committee brought up potential changes in the First Year Forum and the point system that originated from last year's Adler Conference. Committee Chair Sara Feuerstein '07 asserted that a few more meetings were needed to work out all the details.

SA also addressed two funding requests. The first, a $450 request by the West Indian African Association for a speaker to be open to the entire campus, passed over abstentions by Katie Childs '08, Blythe Winchester and Sarah Bryant '08. The trio of freshman representatives argued that they didn't think the event was worth the money, especially in light of this semester's budget crunch.

Childs, Winchester, Bryant and several other SA members also abstained from voting to partially fund the Asian Cultural Society (ACS) for a lecture, a tae kwon doe demonstration and an Asian hip-hop group, totaling $780. The 2008 representatives argued that funding these events was an inappropriate use of limited funds, pointing out that ACS has received at least $14,000 this year.

Other members of SA raised concerns that students, particularly Childs, Winchester and Bryant, were attempting to hold funds for alternative events.

SA Treasurer Dave Waldman '07 defended the funding requests, which had already been evaluated by the Funding Committee, arguing that the goal is to spend money, not hold on to it for potential events down the road.

The Spectator

"Older than the New York Times"

The Hamilton College women's basketball coach is currently suing the College for salary discrimination. Coach Julie Diehl claims that for doing the same job as the recently hired men's basketball coach, she earns approximately $20,000 less. Assuming that she is, in fact, performing the same duties as the men's coach and has the same level of experience, there is no acceptable reason for the salary discrepancy.

Some may argue that a men's team attracts more attention and therefore justifies a higher level of compensation for the coaching staff. This argument may have merit at a larger Division I school; but at a small Division III school, where sports are secondary to academics on all accounts, this is not the case. To be sure, sports are a valued part of the Hamilton community, but they do not contribute to the school's notoriety in the same way that they do at a school like Syracuse.

Coach Diehl has been a valued member of the Hamilton community since her days as a Continental student athlete. She paid her dues as a young assistant coach, and when named head coach happily accepted the position and salary, knowing there was a difference in pay from the contract of then men's coach Tom Murphy. But at the time, Murphy had already been on the job for more than a quarter of a century. Experience is a big part of the job, and it was well rewarded in the case of coach Murphy. But when the College hired Tobin Anderson to coach the men's team, they made the decision to value his services much more than those of coach Diehl, even though she was the more experienced Hamilton coach.

At a school that claims to value men's and women's athletics equally, the message being sent to students is nothing short of contradictory. Our athletes excel both on the field and in the classroom, something in which Hamilton takes particular pride. We are not a big Division I school where some athletes rarely go to class, make money for the school, and go onto professional careers. Hamilton nurtures both the intellectual and the athlete in each individual, so why the disjunction when it comes to treatment of faculty and coaches' compensation? In an academic environment, where ideals and principles are supposed to be at a premium, a lawsuit should not be necessary. If Coach Julie Diehl is performing the same duties and has the same level of experience as the men's basketball coach, she should be equally compensated.

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Insights & Ideas

Thumbs Up/Thumbs Down contest results

by Whitney Kimmel '08
INSIGHTS & IDEAS EDITOR

We recieved 8 submissions for the Thumbs Up/Thumbs Down/Who Cares contest. After much deliberation by *The Spectator* staff, we decided that Jesse Gaylord '06 will be the new, improved and official Thumbs writer for the remainder of the semester.

However, many of the submissions were amusing and worth considering for future *Spectator* issues. We appreciate your submissions and hope that you will continue to write for both Insights & Ideas and Thumbs.

Although there was some dissent from the community about the Thumbs Up/Thumbs Down contest, the majority of campus supported the idea and we feel it was, by and large, a huge success!

Thanks again for your submissions. Congradulations Jesse: welcome to the *Spec* staff. We're looking forward to your thumbs.

1. Jesse Gaylord '06
winner of a free pizza and the chance to write weekly thumbs

2. Colin Mead '07 and Ross Ufberg '07
"Taking Ron Roma's advice from the business section"

3. Matthew Linden '08
"Dick Vitale- coked up enough to have just left the bathroom at a Deansboro party"

4. Peter Harmelin '05
"The girl in your dance class who thinks she can dance. She's totally leotarded"

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In gratitude for your time and input, the research firm will randomly select one student for every 100 surveys completed to receive a $100 gift certificate to the bookstore. That makes your odds of winning 1 in 100. Thank you, in advance, for your help with this important project.

Sincerely,

Mike Debraggio
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by Jesse Gaylord '06

Agreeing to Disagree: sophmore seminars

The pros:

by Brit Chase '05
INSIGHTS & IDEAS EDITOR

The globalization sophomore seminar is going to be fine. Do you know how I know?

I personally am an alumni of a globalization sophomore seminar. Yep. In fact, I took a globalization sophomore seminar back in the day when the skies were the limit, and a young sophomore (with a heart that may or may not be full of glee) could go in any path they want, be it globalization and the economy, or globalization and art, or...

Ok, so globalization was the only sophomore seminar they offered. And by only thing they offered, I do not mean that my choice was between Globalization and Fuzzy Pink Bunnies vs. Let's-Roast-Weird-Kids-Over-An-Open-Bar-B-Q-Pit-And-See-What-Happens (course level 200, advanced roasting of weird kids), I mean that it was Globalization and Bunnies vs. Globalization and Lint. So I jumped on the Globalization and the Politics of Identity train and never looked back.

I survived. Let's see if you can.

Let's be honest (LBH), if I had it all to do over again, I probably would not have taken a globalization course. Not because it was bad. In fact it was pretty ok. My only holdback about my sophomore seminar of choice was that it was very closely related to my major (government (kind of)). And I think I missed out on the chance to learn something, well, more interesting than government.

But it wasn't too bad. We got to read things. And talk. We even went on a field trip to...well...Wal-Mart. But this wasn't normal run-of-the-mill-holy-crap-get-me-out-of-here-Wal-Mart, this was multiple-football-fields-big-and-tall-holy-crap-get-me-out-of-here-northeastern-united-states-distribution-center-Wal-Mart.

It was great.

Actually, it was. As a government major, I have not gotten a lot of chances to take field trips, so it was fun to get on the bus with my other globalization comrades. We even got to learn the Wal-Mart cheer. Give me a W! Give me an A! Watch all former globalization students start to twitch! And then of course there was the Wal-Mart dance.

Yes, there is a Wal-Mart dance.

Yes, the people that taught us the Wal-Mart dance were really into it..

No, I do not want to talk about it.

Then there was also the Friday afternoon seminar. I don't know if they still have that. If they do, friends don't let friends shoot themselves in the head.

But the class itself was pretty interesting. In case you haven't been alert for the past 15 years (which is possible), globalization is a huge phenomenon that has good things, bad things, but is for sure going to affect each an every one of us in the event we decide to leave the Hamilton-world. It has already impacted us culturally, politically, economically, and socially. The globalization sophomore seminar is your opportunity to learn about how these changes in the world are going to affect you, and even how you can take advantage of them. And at the end of the seminar, you are required to give a presentation and write a really long research paper about your project.
This helps to guarantee that you cannot slip into the shadows for your entire Hamilton career without speaking or writing papers. Math majors I am talking to you.

For real. Some of the coolest classes offered at Hamilton are the sophomore seminars because they allow for each of us to fulfill a requirement without taking something that we are definitely going to be studying for all eternity. Or at least until senior year. It may seem like a pain now, but your sophomore seminar is your chance to branch out and learn about anything.

Such as cheers for major corporations.

If you so desire.

The cons:

by Whitney Kimmel '08
INSIGHTS & IDEAS EDITOR

Does anyone else find it strange that out of 11 offered Sophomore Seminars, 5 of them pertain to globalization issues?
Let's break it down:

Globalization and Work. Globalization and Religion. Globalization and Cinema. Ethics of Globalization. Globalization and Democracy.

... Okay, next?

Two sections of Adirondack adventure (so what if I'm not an outdoor kid).

The Matrix Revisited: that was so three years ago.

Freaks. I definitely want that on my resume.

Freedom in Modern States and Revolution in Motion. Riveting, I'm sure.

Now, I know that there are plenty of people signed up for these classes already (after all, we don't have much of a choice), and I'm sure there are lots of people really into required fun (say, hiking for example), the biology of human anomalies and a qusai-philosophical math flick ... but what if those just don't appeal to the rest of us?

On the college website, I gathered that the purpose of sophomore seminars was to encourage interdisciplinary study. The only problem is, unless you want to spend your weekends hoofing through the mud, your seminar choices are seriously limited. Why bother even pretending that we have a choice? Let's just call the seminars "Globalization and other." Oh, I know — how about "Sophmore Globalization." Other suggestions?

Don't misunderstand me; I realize the importance of globalization and its effects on our world community. However, if the underlying goal of Sophomore Seminars is to teach us about this issue (however monumental) then the seminars should not be paraded under a guise of academic diversity.

Some people have told me that faculty only gets paid for teaching about globalization. Others think they just don't like putting the seminars together and that seems to be the easiest way to go. I have even heard that this is the underlying plan of the college to encourage its own ulterior academic mission. Okay, so who knows how reliable my sources are, but there has to be a reason for the overwhelming amount of seminars addressing globalization.

Aside from the overwhelming trend in topics, there just aren't enough spaces for students to enroll in the likely one course that potentially raises there level of interest to at least a minimum. How am I on the wait-list for Globalization and Religion? What about people going away in the spring and really need to satisfy this requirement before junior year? Let's face it: seminars require a lot of work. What student do you know who is going to give a class their full effort if they hate the topic? That's what I thought.

It seems to me that there is a serious problem with the organization of the seminars. Professors here are smart people, thus I find it hard to believe that someone couldn't come up with more creative, engaging ideas. If we wanted to take a class on politics and globalization we'd take a government course. Thanks.

The problem isn't so much the topic of globalization. That in its self is a wonderful, important idea. However, when there are no other option ... then I feel there is an issue.

So here is my plea: promote any topic you want - but give us other options. Or don't promise the diversity.

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We look forward to your submissions.

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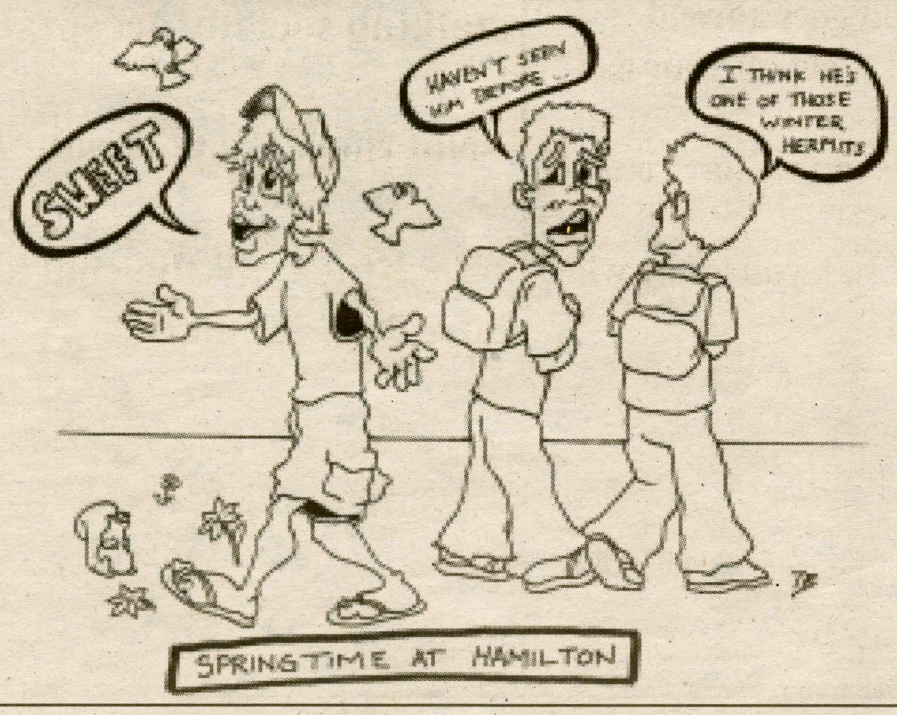
by Tom Booth '06



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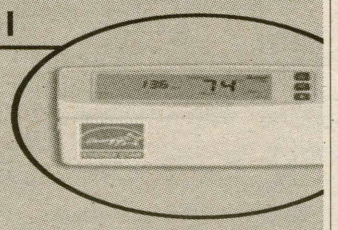

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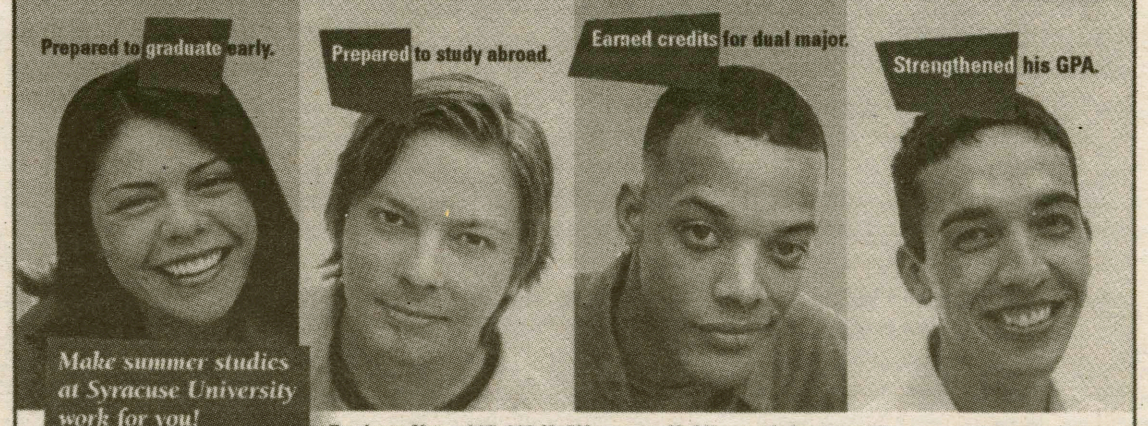

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Features

New student group, Athari, to travel to Uganda

by Annie Bowler '08
FEATURES CONTRIBUTOR

On a rainy Sunday afternoon, six Hamilton students huddle around a small table. Their conversation is full of excitement; they speak not of the weekend's happenings or of their classes, but of young children in need and a village school far away.

The students are the first in a ground-breaking effort to lead a student-run service trip during the summer. The group, known as Athari, the Swahili word for impact, will travel to Uganda to assist villagers in the upkeep of a primary school.

The trip is the brain child of sophomore transfer student Meghan Moulton. Moulton traveled to Uganda in April of 2003 on a trip with her family. While there she witnessed the primitive state of the education system and left with the resolve to educate herself and her peers about the unequal distribution of wealth and resources in the world.

"My travel in Uganda taught me more then, I not only learned about pressing global realities, but about myself. I want to give Hamilton students the same invaluable opportunity," Moulton explains of her travel experiences.

After transferring to Hamilton from Westmont College last fall, Moulton saw the opportunity to share her goal with other students and the community in general.

A series of flyers brought a full house to the first informational meeting in early November. The numbers dwindled as the work required of the group became evident and in January seven students were selected by Dean of Students Nancy Thompson and Moulton from an applicant pool of 18.

The group, composed of sophomores Jess Tepper, Megan Morrissey, Tess Patalano, Megan Horman, Meghan Moulton, junior Ben Norland and senior Alastar Crains will leave from New York on May 21. They will travel to Jinja, Uganda, where they will be met by representatives of the non-profit organization Soft Power Education, through which the trip has been organized.

PHOTO COURTESY OF ANNIE BOWLER '08

The new student group, Athari, will travel to the Lukolo Primary School in Uganda this summer; students enrolled at Lukolo are pictured above.

Soft Power Education has been working in Uganda for several years; Moulton witnessed their efforts during her visit two years ago.

They have been assigned to Lukolo Primary School, which currently supports 957 children under the sixth grade level. The school has 16 teachers, placing about 60 students with each instructor.

Hamilton's Athari group will be assisting the school with building and expansion efforts as well as assisting teachers with lessons. While in Africa, the group will document its activities on film and hopes so show it when classes resume in the fall. Students will return to the United States on June 22nd.

In addition to helping with the education system in the third world country, the students hope to spread the word about the state of this and many other African nations. Northern Uganda has long been involved in struggle with a rebel group known as The Lord's Resistance Army. Although the students will be traveling to Southern Uganda and will be far from the conflict of the LRA, they hope to educate the college community about the United States' involvement in world affairs such as this.

Sophomore participant Meghan Horman said, " I feel as if those living in western societies tend to perceive western culture as predominant. Studying other cultures broadens our horizons and increases our knowledge of the world."

All of the members of the group shared similar aspirations

*see **Uganda**, page 10*

Day '07 and Dunn '06 named Goldwater Scholars

by Kate Mayhew '05
FEATURES WRITER

In the middle of Oscar night, there is always that one presenter (often a very beautiful Hollywood starlet) that approaches the microphone and rattles off an elaborate, teleprompter-ed spiel about the men behind the scenes, the unsung heroes of cinema -- the technicians. Eventually, we come to find that this big-name actress was asked to host the Academy's Technical Awards. Held on an entirely different night from the real Academy Awards, these Oscars are graced with a grand five minutes of television time. Taped and aired in an effort to demonstrate the Academy's soft spot for geeks with computers, this part of the Oscars is often prime-time to relieve yourself before the Best Picture Award is announced. Yet these geeks with computers truly are the unsung heroes of the Academy Awards.

Therefore, with all the recent scuttlebutt over the prestigious Watson fellowships, the *Spectator* felt it only fair to acknowledge the unsung heroes of the Academia Awards.

At a liberal arts institution such as Hamilton, the science majors tend to get lost in the shuffle, toiling away in their laboratories, grumbling quietly about the countless hours of lab-work for which they are denied credit.

The Goldwater Scholarship is one of the the highest national achievement awards for undergraduates who study mathematics, the sciences or engineering.

Yet it is all in the interest of science that these unsung heroes continue their research, and it is high time we thanked them for it. Such gratitude is expressed through the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship -- the highest achievement to be nationally awarded to undergraduate students who study mathematics, the natural sciences or engineering. Here, we honor sophomore Mary Beth Day and junior Meghan Dunn for receiving this award.

Mary Beth Day's research at Hamilton began before she did -- working as a pre-frosh under the Head of the Chemistry Department, George Shields. Day's initial work examined what are called water clusters: small groups of water molecules that are found in the atmosphere.

Out of this research emerged two separate publications, one currently in the making. Day recently published a paper with Professor Shields in the International Journal of Quantum Chemistry that investigated the different geometries of potential water clusters in the atmosphere. For her second paper, Day is specifically examining water clusters of three, four and five molecules, determining which have the lowest energy and are, therefore, more likely to be found in the atmosphere. It was this interest in the atmosphere, in fact, that allowed her to marry her two greatest interests: geology and chemistry.

A geo-archaeology major, we could be seeing Mary Beth again some day, as her work has potential implications for the rises in carbon dioxide levels associated with global warming. She plans to pursue her Ph. D. (incidentally, this is quite a bit of planning ahead, as Mary Beth, need I remind you, is a sophomore) in paleo-climatology, as the field weds her multiple passions.

In fact, it was through the Goldwater Scholarship that she was able to finalize these plans so early in her career. Says Day: "The application process for the Goldwater was extremely

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Seven students will travel to Uganda this summer as part of the new volunteer group, Athari.

Students visit Cuba to study U.S. trade embargo

by Kristy Hague '05
FEATURES WRITER

During the first week of spring break, from March 12 to March 20, a group of students and professors traveled to Cuba to study the social, political and economic effects of the United States' trade embargo on Cuba.

Led by Visiting Assistant Professor of Women's Studies Danielle DeMuth, the group consisted of seven students: Hilary King '05, Kris Rios '05, Emily Kerr '05, Jackie Kook '05, Shana Weinberg '05, Latoya Malcolm '06, and Elaine Martinez '07. The group traveled through Witness for Peace, a politically independent grassroots organization.

According to its website, Witness for Peace seeks to "support peace, justice, and sustainable economies in the Americas by changing US policies and corporate practices which contribute to poverty and oppression in Latin America and the Caribbean." Currently, Witness for Peace is one of a few groups that have a license of the United States Department of Treasury to travel to Cuba.

From a friend who works at Ohio University, DeMuth heard about the Witness for Peace organization and the opportunity for an educational trip to Cuba. This summer, travel restrictions will further tighten around Cuba and Witness for Peace expects to get its travel license revoked. This trip will thus be one of the last American groups to legally travel into Cuba for educational purposes. Before travel to Cuba became impossible, "I wanted to make sure the opportunity was available to Hamilton students," said DeMuth. The Levitt Center, the Kirkland Endowment and the Office of Multicultural Affairs helped provide financial support for the trip.

While in Cuba, the group spent most of their time in Havana but also traveled to Marionao, a small village community outside of Havana, and Veadero, a tourist beach area. Students spent their days meeting with community groups, doctors, religious leaders, farmers and a representative from the United States interest section. From these people, students heard different perspectives on the effect of the United States' long-standing trade embargo. "It was a far richer way to see Cuba than as a tourist on your own," noted Jodi Schorb, a Visiting Professor of English, who accompanied the group.

"As a Women's Studies Professor, I am interested in the effect of globalization on women of the world," noted DeMuth. Last summer, DeMuth traveled to Nicaragua to study globalization's effects upon the female population. She found that globalization had similar effects in both Nicaragua and Cuba. Globalization deeply and adversely impacts education, social programs and health care.

Both DeMuth and Schorb noted the problems with the changing Cuban economy. Lately, the dollar economy has confronted the Cuban peso economy as a result of increased tourism. As a result, educated and trained professionals seek employment as cab drivers because working for the tourism industry is more profitable than working as a doctor or an engineer. The tourist economy has begun to affect the day-to-day existence of Cuban people.

DeMuth also noted the problem that trade embargo imposes on the scholarly community: "As students and academics, travel restrictions pose a problem to solidarity and a global feminism we could forge," said DeMuth. Since no one from the United States can travel to Cuba and Cubans cannot come to America, the free flow of ideas is inhibited. "The doors to informational exchange are closing," noted DeMuth. Scholars and educators in both countries cannot learn anything from each other. Schorb, who studies Cuba because of the colonial Atlantic slave trade, cannot travel there to find primary documents for her research. The embargo places a tremendous roadblock in the way of scholarships and forming an academic community.

Upon return from Cuba, the group made an action plan to institute for the Hamilton community. They seek to raise awareness and effected change in United States trade embargo on Cuba. In the coming weeks, the group will start to spread information on the Hamilton campus.

For more information on Witness for Peace and their sponsored programs, check out their website : www. witnessforpeace.org/.

Group to do volunteer work in Uganda during summer

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in their application essays. Upon their arrival home, members of the group will host a panel discussion concerning the humanitarian crisis in Northern Uganda.

The work to organize the excursion has been almost unimaginable. All students expressed discouragement with the process of raising funds to support their efforts. So far the group has completed a silent auction, an e-bay spring cleaning drive and a car wash - not to mention the list of other events on the calendar for the month.

Since the project was proposed early in the school year, it has approached many offices and departments about the possibility of financial support; thus far there have been few contributions. Moulton's dream was to see the community involved and excited about the project.

At this point, however, she notes that she is disappointed in the lack of reception from the college.

The group has found support and enthusiasm among the third graders at Clinton Elementary School, however. The local children will receive lessons from Moulton and other Athari group members on the life of children in Africa, specifically those children that attend Lokulo Primary School. The kids will then spend the rest of the year raising money, which will be used directly to support the changes that the Hamilton students will be making to the schoolhouse this summer.

The group meets weekly to discuss not only the logistics of planing the trip, but also to learn about the southern Ugandan culture. With this preparation, they hope to maximize the impact of their efforts through a clear understanding of those that they are setting out to assist.

Although the task at hand is daunting, these driven students have not lost sight of the impact that their work will have on the children of Lukolo Primary and the Jinja community as a whole. On a rainy Sunday afternoon the group works to make its impact on the world, and, in the process, is making Hamilton history.

If you are interested in learning more about the group, or providing any type of assistance please contact Meghan Moulton at mmoulton@ hamilton.edu. And keep your eye open for fund- raisers on campus supporting the Athari trip.

Nicole Wright '02 named Cornell Law Diversity Scholar

by Danielle Sclafani '08
FEATURES WRITER

Hamilton College graduates go on to do great things. Nicole Wright '02, of Altamonte Springs, FL - the first-ever recipient of the Cornell Law Diversity Scholarship - is no exception.

While she was at Hamilton, Nicole was an exemplary student. She was named an Arthur Levitt Scholar, received the Jenny Rubin Memorial Prize Scholarship and was named to the Dean's List in 2002.

In September of 2003, Nicole began Cornell Law School. Now, after receiving the Harter Secrest Diversity Scholarship, she is moving up in the ranks: this summer she will be employed by that firm in its associate position.

Harter, Secrest & Emery LLP was founded in 1893, and is "a full-service law firm providing legal services to a wide variety of clients including publicly traded companies, privately owned businesses, not-for-profit organizations, and individuals. The firm has more than 100 lawyers and 30 paralegals in offices in Rochester, Buffalo and Albany, NY, as well as in Naples, FL."

Harter, Secrest & Emery LLP is the first law firm to establish a diversity scholarship. From the Harter, Secrest & Emery LLP Diversity Scholarship Program Nicole will, as a first-year Cornell Law School student, receive a $5000 scholarship and a paid summer associate position at the firm's Rochester, N.Y. office.

John R. DeRosa, Assistant Dean for Student Services for Cornell Law School, is very excited about the new scholarship, and the new opportunity Harter Secrest has created for one of Cornell's first-year law students. Its benefits are far-reaching; any law student would jump for the chance to work for them. Not only will the scholarship provide obvious and considerable financial benefits, Harter Secrest's program will "expose the recipient to a sophisticated, multi-faceted legal practice in a highly supportive environment" thus providing him or her with experience that will be highly beneficial later on in their careers.

As stated on its website, Harter Secrest is an "inclusive organization that embraces diversity as an essential part of our success. [They] actively seek out professionals with varied backgrounds, perspectives and insights that enrich our firm and our community. [They] work on creating and maintaining a working environment built on mutual respect for the unique experiences of our people." HS&E maintains, "One of the core values of our Firm is to accommodate and respect diversity among our people. The diversity scholarship is one of many programs that we have established to promote and further these values. We believe that by continuously broadening the diversity of our attorneys that we provide better service to our clients and create a richer work environment."

Nicole's scholarship is a result of this investment in diversity as it is specifically intended for a non-white Cornell Law Student, who it is believed will have a positive impact on the firm. Maureen Alston, Managing Partner of Harter, Secrest & Emery, explains the reasoning behind this: "We have longstanding ties with Cornell Law School so it is a great fit for Harter's Diversity Scholarship. Our firm is made up of almost 15% Cornell Law School graduates (one of the firms with the highest concentration of Cornell Law School graduates in the country)."

"Interested applicants [for the scholarship] were asked to submit a diversity scholarship application. Each applicant was asked to provide the application (which included a personal essay), together with a current resume, undergraduate transcript, grades from the first semester of law school, a writing sample, and two references. We reviewed the applications and invited applicants to come to the firm for interviews. After the interview process was complete, Nicole was selected as the recipient of the scholarship," explained firm correspondent, Elizabeth Hofmeister.

Nicole's exemplary academic record, her involvement in the Black Law Student Association and "her interview skills, maturity and presence, as displayed in the interview process, contributed to making her the candidate of choice," said Hofmeister. "Nicole evidenced great promise for a successful career in the legal profession and proved that she was the best candidate for the firm's scholarship," Hofmeister explained.

"In both her academic and professional life, Nicole has demonstrated a strong work ethic and an ability to work well in a team environment in a manner that is supportive of all those around her," said Paul Sylvestri, chair of the firm's Recruiting Committee. "We are excited about the opportunity to work with Nicole this coming summer."

AIDS Hike set for April 24; HC hopes to raise $50,000

by Michelle Butler '06
FEATURES WRITER

Hamilton will host the 7th Annual AIDS Hike for Life on April 24, 2005. Sponsored by the Class of 2005, this 5K walk will raise funds for ACR, or AIDS Community Resources, whose website describes the group as a multicultural AIDS service agency.

All money raised at this event will go directly to the Mohawk Valley area's Teen AIDS Task Forces, which is a prevention program in high schools. Money will also go to Client Support Services, which help care for those living with AIDS and their families.

The walk has raised more than $160,000 over the past six years. Last year, $39,000 was raised; this year the goal is to raise $50,000, with more than 600 people participating.

In the United States, 2 people between the ages of 13-24 are infected with HIV every hour. New York State currently has the highest number of cases of HIV/AIDS in the U.S., and in Upstate New York alone, 29,000 people are infected.

Jeannine Martaugh, Associate Director of the Career Center and the contact person for the AIDS Hike, believes these statistics are disturbing, and that they ought to provide more than enough motivation for everyone to participate on the 24th.

"I've been working on the AIDS Hike for Life since the beginning because there is no cure for HIV/AIDS and our national and state statistics have always startled me," Murtaugh stated. "I do not want the Unites States to be dealing with HIV/AIDS in the epidemic proportions that so many other countries currently are...I would like students and community members to run, walk or donate to raise HIV/AIDS awareness and because according to the World Health Organization AIDS is the leading cause of death for individuals [aged] 15-59 worldwide."

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If you would like to walk, you can either register online at www.aidswalkcny.com, call 800-475-2430 or pick up a form in the Beinecke Student Center on campus. Donations can be turned in ahead of time on Thursday April 21st from 4-7 p.m. in Beinecke.

Participants can also register on the morning of the walk at 10 a.m. and register at the starting line of the Hike, which will be by the Pavilion on Minor Field.

Participants can either walk as individuals or with a team, which is made up of five or more people. Each year, Hamilton sports teams, Greek societies, and groups of friends form sizeable teams, and fundraise and walk together. Last year's top fundraising teams included Alpha Theta Chi and the Hamilton RA's amongst other teams from the local community and businesses.

The event will begin with registration at 10 a.m.; and at 11 a.m. the Hike will start, ending approximately at 1 p.m. The event is certainly entertaining; local radio stations provide loud and fun music, many people from Hamilton and the community come to walk and give their support hot beverages are often provided, so cold weather is no excuse for not participating.

Murtaugh added: "Since there is no national AIDS organization, I believe that it is our responsibility as a community to promote awareness of this devastating disease and to raise funds to support those HIV-infected individuals within our community...Come walk with us! Move your feet in the fight against AIDS! Every step makes a difference!"

For more information, contact Jeannine Murtaugh at jmurtaug or ext. 4339. Also, visit the event's website at : www.aidswalkcny.com.

Goldwater scholars show key role of science at Hamilton

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helpful in clarifying my educational and career goals. I had never considered climate studies until I realized how well-suited it was to my interests and experiences."

Junior Meghan Dunn took a less technical approach to the explanation of this same research: "I'm using computational chemistry to find the role water plays in atmospheric chemistry. Water has the ability to lower the energy of some reactions, and when it comes to air pollution and global warming, the balance of chemicals in the atmosphere might get funky," she explained.

Dunn is examining the reaction of different atmospheric chemicals with different variations of water molecules in an effort to determine the stability and concentration of these chemical structures in the atmosphere.

Her research began with Shields as well, but again, before she became a Hamilton student. Dunn began research in Shields' summer lab as a native of Clinton, New York and a student of George Washington University. At that point, she, like Day, had been strictly studying water clusters.

"We...decided to tie them into atmospheric chemistry by throwing more chemicals into the mix." She hopes this research will facilitate her acceptance into graduate school, where she tentatively plans to pursue a Ph. D. in Environmental Chemistry. Says Dunn: "Ideally, I will figure out the chemistry of some environmental problem (global warming or the ozone layer) and then fix it."

And so we congratulate the Goldwater Scholars, who have demonstrated that a liberal arts education truly embodies a wide range of academic pursuits. We wish them well in their future goals. We hope that the prestigious awards they receive will become intrinsically tied to the name of Hamilton College, endorsing the rest of us slackers by proxy - much like the Hollywood starlets and the technicians who produce the high quality of film their good looks enjoy.

So thank you, Goldwater Scholars - consider this your Academia Award, and believe us when we say, "We like you...we really like you."

THIS WEEK IN HAMILTON HISTORY

Campus struck by weekend robberies
April 6, 1990

Three rooms in Delta Upsilon and several other rooms on the south side of campus were robbed last weekend, with nearly $1,000 total worth of property lost.

On Saturday night Pat Patalino '90, Mark Donohue '92 and Sean Felland '91 all had good stolen from their rooms in D.U. David Gaunt '93 a resident of Bundy West, was also a victim of a robbery.

"I went out on Saturday night and came back around 12:30 a.m. and it was gone," Patalino said of his $350 Panasonic VCR. "Nothing like this has happened to me in my years here. The television was completely turned around and the VCR had just vanished. I waited until the next morning to report it though, to make sure someone wasn't playing a joke."

Patalino filed a report with the Kirkland police and was contacted Thursday. He said his room is vulnerable to theft because the lock on the outside door is inoperable. Felland had about $2,500 worth of goods stolen from his room, including a portable CD player, a walkman, $800 worth of C.D.'s, and an "eye of the storm" plasma sculpture.

Attrition analyzed
April 13, 1973

The number of people leaving Hamilton College has not changed drastically over the past decade, but the reasons for them leaving have changed in their relative importance. These are the major conclusions to be drawn form an attrition study compiled by Palmer Fragnoli Hamilton Kirkland registrar at the request of *The Spectator* and Dean Kurz.

The study, including information up to March 19, 1976, covers the Hamilton College classes of 1963 through 1976. Attrition for each year of class and the four-year total of each class is broken down into three categories: transfers, voluntary withdrawals, and dismissals for academic or disciplinary reasons.

The total attrition rate over the past decade has generally remained in the 20-25 percent range. The classes of 1971 and 1972 both had rates of 28%, the only two consecutive classes to fall above the one-quarter mark.

While the total attrition rate has remained constant, voluntary withdrawals have risen steadily throughout the decade.

Still standing, but for how long? The future of societies
April 3, 1992

Like the Trojan wars, the battle seems interminable, and is much more complicated than a mere "Greeks vs. Geeks" fight. Should societies survive at Hamilton?

House leaders say "yes," HOSS members say "no." But everyone has an opinion. No issue has galvanized the community in recent years like the society debate and the result is that the student body is becoming increasingly angry. Tensions will reach their high point next Fall when the Trustees will study residential life on the Hill.

"Societies will stay," said Theta Delta Chi President Chuck Thompson '93. He sounded confident and sure.

Thompson may have been shocked then when trustee liaison and Professor of English Patricia O'Neill said just as confidently at Tuesday's panel on "Are Fraternities Bad for your Health?" that she believes "that the Trustees will begin phasing out societies."

Professor of Comparative Literature Nancy Rabinowitz said, "Fraternities should have been abolished when the College went coed. The college has not yet effectively dealt with coeducation...In keep societies, the school is saying to women, 'You don't matter. Equitably, you are not significant enough to get rid of fraternities.'"

The coeducation of societies is not the issue, according to Professor of Philosophy Rick Werner. "The structures themselves are against the goals of this institution. Simply making them coed will not solve the problem."

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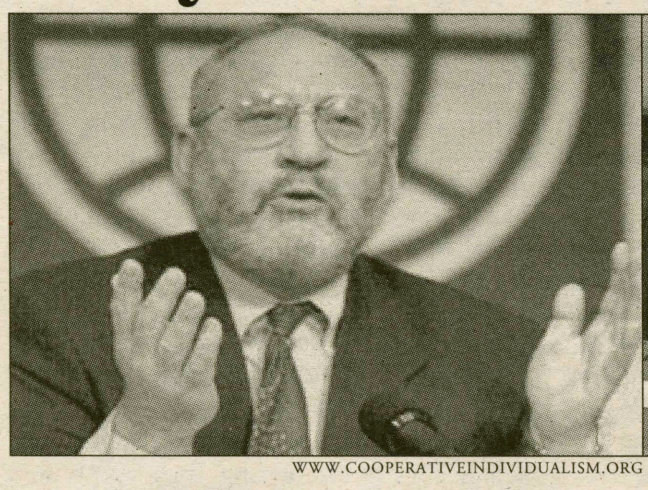

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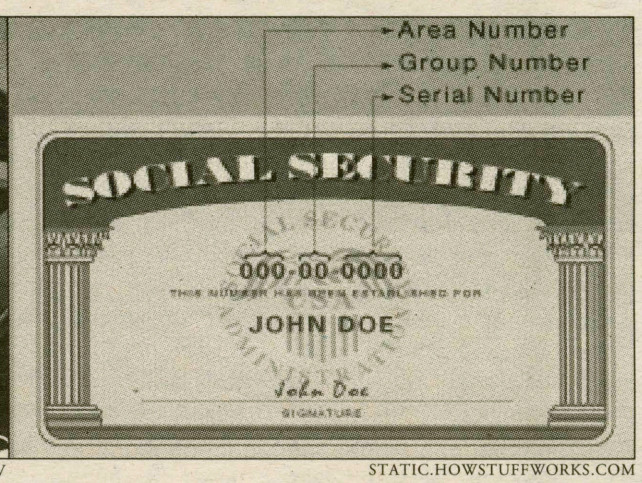

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by Tim Foley '06
BUSINESS & ECONOMICS EDITOR

As if there weren't enough parties already this weekend, the Arthur Levitt Center has scheduled a few of its own. Nobel Prize-winning economist Joseph Stiglitz (left) will be appearing in the Chapel at 8 p.m. on Friday. A faculty panel consisting of Professors Vivyan Adair, Ann Owen and Gary Wycoff will be hosting a discussion on the proposed changes to the Social Security system in the Red Pit on Saturday at 2:15 p.m. The discussion is open to the public. To cap the weekend off, Douglas Holtz-Eakin (center) of the Congressional Budget Office will deliver a lecture on Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

Stiglitz of Columbia University will speak on the subject of globalization. Stiglitz served on President Bill Clinton's Council of Economic Advisers from 1993 to 1997 before being appointed to Senior Vice President and Chief Economist of the World Bank, a position he held until 2000.

Providing an interesting contrast to Stiglitz will be Professor Douglas Holtz-Eakin. Holtz-Eakin is currently the Trustee Professor of Economics at Syracuse University where he previously served as Chair of the Economics Department. Before arriving at the 'Cuse, he instructed at Columbia and Princeton University, where he earned his PhD.

As Director of the Congressional Budget Office, Holtz-Eakin often meets with the various budget committees of Congress and ensures that all duties of the Office are performed effectively. He previously served the nation as Chief Economist to President H.W. Bush's Council of Economic Advisers from 2001 to 2003. The current President's father was also lucky enough to have Holtz-Eakin as a Senior Staff Economist on his Council of Economic Advises from 1989 to 1990.

If you found my previous articles on Social Security interesting, confusing or appalling, you should definitely keep Saturday afternoon clear. On that day at 2:15 in KJ 109, professors from the Economics and Government Departments will hold an open discussion on the future of Social Security and the effects of proposed changes. Students are encouraged to attend as any changes to the current Social Security system will affect our generation the most.

Finance 101... marginally better than computer solitaire

This week: oil

by Tim Foley '06
BUSINESS & ECONOMICS EDITOR

If you read the column to the right of this one with any frequency, you must have noticed how often sweet crude oil is mentioned. Recently, barrels of light, sweet crude have greatly appreciated in value to the point where they make headlines not just in financial publications, but in all media. Millions of dollars are being made and lost, your car is more expensive to fill with gas, your parents will probably have a higher heating bill and chances are, you have no idea why.

To start, oil pumped from within the earth is separated based on quality and composition. Crude, or unrefined oil with low levels of hydrogen and sulfur is referred to as sweet, while oil with high levels of those same chemicals is called sour, on account of its pungent odor that stings the nostrils. Sweet crude oil is refined into fuel more easily and therefore nets a higher price per barrel. A barrel of sweet crude currently can be bought for about $55. When sweet crude broke through the $50 level a few months ago, people were shocked. With global daily demand at about 86 million barrels, it is clear why oil has been all over the news.

Demand for oil has been growing rapidly as the world's overall growth rate has increased during the past several years. China and India's emerging economies have been demanding enough oil to drive up the price. Add in the United States' economic recovery, which is also heavily dependent on oil, a war in Iraq, possibility of a war in Iran and worries of dwindling oil reserves, and it is clear to see how sweet crude prices have risen. So who decides how oil should be priced?

The Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries, or OPEC, is a group of 11 nations that lead the world in oil production. OPEC is comprised of Algeria, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela. Saudi Arabia is the leading producer. OPEC's mission statement reads, "Member Countries coordinate their oil production policies in order to help stabilize the oil market and to help oil producers achieve a reasonable rate of return on their investments." Historically, this has been interpreted as, "we are charging as mush as possible to get rich, and you can't do a thing about it." However, OPEC is not as bad as it seems.

Recently, Saudi OPEC representatives have indicated their intention to pump oil at their national limit in order to increase global supply of oil and lower the price. This comes after Saudis lowered their export price of oil several days ago. The Saudis are worried that excessively high oil prices will cause a global slowdown, thus reducing demand for oil and Saudi Arabia's oil revenues. However, at least the U.S. has shown no sign of decreasing dependency on oil in the face of surging prices. In fact, daily demand in the U.S. has been increasing, just like it has been in China. As long as businesses and individuals rely solely on oil for energy, prices will probably not wane, and one group of analysts predict a barrel of oil could cost $105 within a few years.

Analysts at Goldman Sach's Global Investment Research have predicted a "super-spike" in oil prices, similar to the oil crisis of the 1970's and 1980's, in which real demand and speculation drive prices to levels which would actually decrease global demand for the black gold. The same analysts also projected that in order for consumers to ease their spending on gasoline for daily commuting, prices may need to exceed $4.00 per gallon in the United States.

So if you buy into the "super-spike" theory, how can you profit from it? Well, buying actual barrels of oil would be very hard to do. Luckily, a market exists in which oil importers can lock in the price of oil for themselves and speculators can profit from price fluctuations. By using futures contracts, both importers and speculators are projecting the future delivery price of a single barrel of oil to the U.S. coast.

Last week's Finance 101 was accidentally cut short. The complete last two sentences appear below:

The "Soccer Mom Indicator" may be one of the best signs of a bubble. It states that once mothers begin discussing certain investments at their children's sporting events, it is time to get out of that investment.

Financial market summary: 4/1 - 4/7

by David Kelland '05
BUSINESS & ECONOMICS COLUMNIST

Since making a new low for 2005 on March 29, the S&P 500 has rallied for seven days, gaining a total of 28 points. The rally has retraced 42 per cent of the decline from the S&P's peak of 1229. The rally in stocks might not seem particularly weak if we were to ignore the fact that the NASDAQ Composite's seven day rally has only retraced 23 per cent of its move down from the high of 2192. If the bulls are going to push stocks higher, they are going to need to buy much more aggressively than they did in the first quarter of 2005. While the short term bias for stocks is positive, the medium term bias is still negative, with all three major indices trading below their 50 day moving averages.

Energy prices continue to dominate the news, with oil passing $58 per barrel last Friday before selling off to under $55 per barrel on Wednesday. Immediate support stands at $52.50, while a break below that level will likely continue until $50. A strengthening Dollar and promises of higher supply from OPEC have contributed to the selling. When projecting how high oil prices might rise, we ought to consider the inelasticity of demand for oil. How many fewer miles have Americans driven since gasoline prices have risen? To my knowledge, Americans have not significantly changed their habits despite the increases in prices at the pump. Until consumers of oil reduce their consumption, prices will continue higher.

The stronger Dollar has also helped US Treasuries. After testing multi-year year highs in March, interest rates have declined for the past two weeks. Since one can only purchase Treasuries with Dollars, a declining Dollar tends to weigh on Treasuries and increase interest rates.

Before spring break, I noted that the Dollar was trading in a tightening range between ¥104 and ¥105.5 and that when the Dollar broke through that range, the market would move very quickly. After briefly breaking below ¥104, the Dollar rallied to almost ¥109 in only 17 sessions. It would appear that, in the medium term, the decline in the Dollar has run its course. In a similar fashion, the Philadelphia Semiconductor Index has traded in the same 16 point range (406-422) for the past 15 sessions. Historically, this range is very small and the SOX will likely make a violent break out of this range.

Arts & Entertainment

Fantasically absurd and egotistical: glam rock is back

by Keenan Reilly '07
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT COLUMNIST

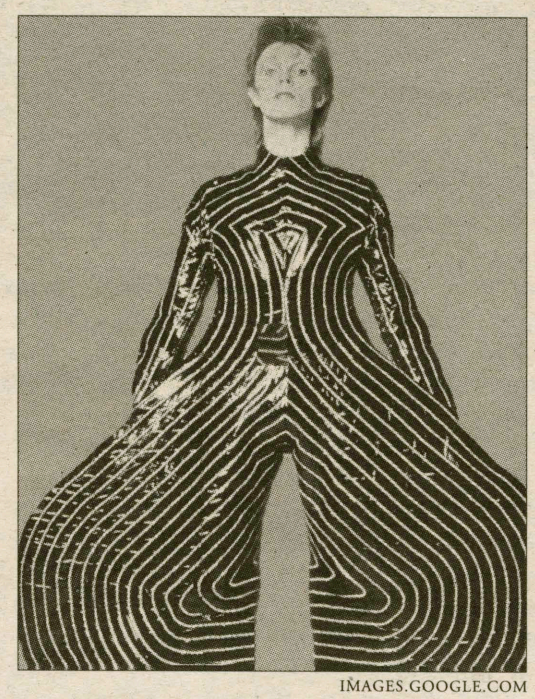
Yes, you read correctly: the fantastically absurd and egotistical Glam Rock movement has returned. However, don't expect Bowie to resurrect Ziggy Stardust just yet. We can still pray of course. Such a comeback is due to a handful of nostalgia which has driven new bands to make all this glittery fuss. In case any of you saplings are completely unaware of the Glam scene that took England by storm in the early 70s, some background information is what I'm here for.

It all started with Marc Bolan of T-Rex, who found himself sick of the revolution music of the 60s. He took the "free love" aspect, set it on overdrive, and molded rock back into its rhythm driven three-minute format. Bands like Sweet and Slade took their cue from T-Rex, and got the kids to dance once again.

Inventing and touring as his futuristic alter ego Ziggy Stardust, David Bowie, as well as the Spiders from Mars made, the glam movement. Bowie, with his hyper-sexuality and snobbish fashion ideals truly put glitter on the highest pedestal. Platform boots and pounds upon pounds of makeup became the rage, but if you didn't have a fabulous stage name then you were left out in the cold. Bottom line, the use of Colombia's most popular export reached a Roman level of excess, pushing the talented musicians far past the edge of reason, which resulted in the first postmodern Rock and Roll mass hysteria from hoards of teenage fans.

Many of you may be wondering how any of this should be celebrated, let alone revived. Although glitter rock sounds lame, it was marked by highly distorted guitar solos and heart thumping, four to the floor drum beats. Beyond the sound was the notion that rock stars set the trends, and could do exactly as they pleased no matter how preposterous or "immoral."

We must not forget that glam had a hardcore side represented by Detroit's masters of depravity, Alice Cooper, and the most electrically charged maniac of all, the forgotten boy, known to us only as Iggy Pop. While these two sacrificed chickens or defiled themselves on stage, they laid the groundwork not only for punk rock, but also the high intensity, sleazy, glam metal of the 80s (i.e. Guns N' Roses, Motley Crue, Hanoi Rocks, The New York Dolls, etc.). As you can see, glam and glitter isn't exactly targeted towards teeny bopping fans.



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No caption for this pic. We got lost in the crazy vortex that is Bowie's pants.

Getting back to the present, two bands have proven their glamorous might. The Darkness is the front runner of the revival, and they consequently seem to have the largest following. With a follow up album to their debut, *Permission To Land* in the works, they should be able to plow a path for others to thrive and rise. I assume by now that we are all familiar with their unique sound, marked by Justin Hawkin's falsetto reverberating over his brother Dan's Les Paul screaming blazing hot solos out his Marshall tubes. After seeing them in concert this summer, I've realized that their showmanship alone could make them one of the legendary few.

The other force on the scene, Louis XIV, has released its first album entitled *The Best Little Secrets Are Kept*. The album itself is a retro rocking, erotica infested pun ride with stylishly sinister undertones. (The band did name itself after the most decadent and confidently successful king of France, who was self proclaimed as the Sun King, invented ballet, and is most known for never doubting his right to rule, after all.) Interesting right? It's suspiciously interesting, indeed.

The first time I heard the album, I was on a particularly miserable train ride to Chicago. Slumping deep into my seat, I scanned the car, and pressed play to hear the opening song "Louis XIV" proclaim, "I'm a weapon of mass destruction... take pure love and turn it into obscenity." Immediately a devilish smirk Iggy would be proud of swept across my face.

My posture straightened and I soon seemed to be looming above the other passengers, looking for prey. By the songs culminating phrase, "Who's your daddy," which is followed by a swooping confident guitar squeal, I was making the pretty young high school girls across the aisle blush with my unholy stares, penetrating eye contact and a mischievous smile, a la yours truly. Realizing my mood lift, anticipation for the next track was quenched by the BDSM laden lyrics of track two, "Finding Out True Love is Blind," which explains the enticing smorgasbord of women with whom the band enjoys an encounter or two, every now and then.

The girls across from me whispered back and forth, while constantly checking out every aspect of my heavenly frame. Attention, like the schoolgirl game they were playing, usu

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Badass Movie Reviews: *Sin City*

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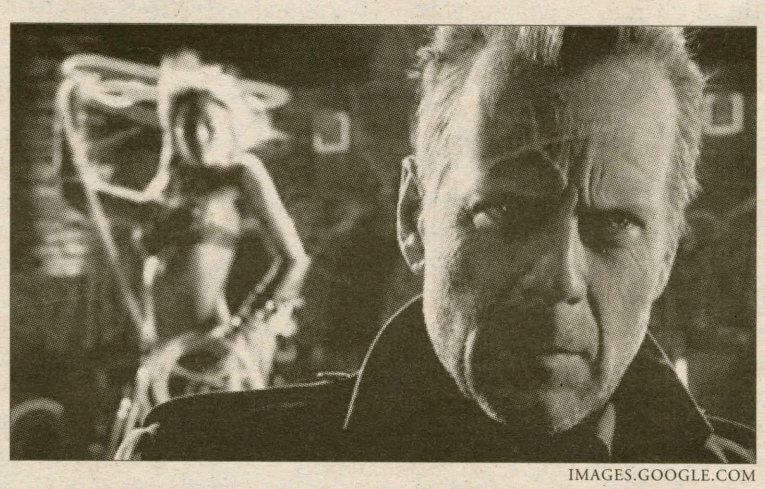
To be honest, I went into *Sin City* expecting not to like it. I had heard good things from friends, but I had read some iffy reviews, and my friends are generally not professional movie critics. I knew one thing, though: *Sin City* was going to be badass. I was not disappointed.

Now, I had heard that *Sin City* was a very violent movie - that people were killed pretty much constantly - but I was still surprised by the sheer amount of killing. Of course, it's all stylized to be unrealistic and like a comic book, but still, that's a lot of killing. Literally, there's a murder before the opening credits.

But it's okay, because that's just the sort of thing that happens in *Sin City*. When you put yourself in that world, it makes sense that people are dying all the time, that cops are the bad guys and that people can jump off of anything, regardless of the height, and be fine. (I don't really understand this aspect, but it's too badass for me to care.) Oh, and apparently bullets are very weak in *Sin City*. Either that or people have incredibly strong internal organs. Characters get shot literally hundreds of times with little to no negative effect. In this respect, it would be unwise to watch this movie if you are unable to discern reality from fiction. It would be *very* unwise.

But, since we're all college students, I would like to think that we can all distinguish between movies and real life and are willing to suspend some disbelief. That said, *Sin City* is an exceptional movie on several levels. Obviously, the most important level for a film to work on is badassity. And if *Sin City* is one thing, it is undeniably badass. Sure, there's all the killing, but killing off an entire cast does not, in itself, make a movie badass. What makes a movie badass is the manner by which it goes about killing off everyone in the cast. Since it shares a comic book's sensibility, *Sin City* is able to go about this in unique ways. Sure, there are plenty of gun fights and grenade explosions and those are all well and good, but the most badass award has to go to Mickey Rourke as Marv, an enormous, slightly-gorilla-looking man with incredible strength, wit and a body that seems to be impervious to pretty much everything. I would have liked to see an entire movie about this character. Not only was he the most badass, but I thought he was the most interesting and fully-formed character as well.



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Bruce Willis was too focused on being badass to notice Jessica Alba's sultry dancing at the club. He was definitely the only one. The only downside of being badass.

While there is almost no back-story given for any of the characters, Marv's narration clues in the audience on his inner conflicts, life-long dilemmas and mental problems. Oh, and his fight with Elijah Wood (in a very un-Frodo role) is one of the more badass battles in recent memory. Plus, it looks like something from *Street Fighter*, which is clearly one of the most badass video games *ever*.

But most badass about *Sin City* is the setting and cinematography. The whole comic-book pastiche, coupled with the fact that the movie is filmed almost entirely in black and white, creates a unique atmosphere, one where everything is more important than it first appears.

Of course, I have always said that it is the little things that truly round out a badass movie, bringing it up to the level where it will endure as a badass classic. *Sin City* has these little things. For one thing, there's a prostitute army. And I mean that literally; prostitutes have taken over a section of the city and established a paramilitary force to govern it. Imagine: rows of hot, scantily clad women lining the roofs of an alley, blasting guns into an unsuspecting pack of corrupt cops. Unfortunately, this does end up looking a little silly, since a bunch of the actresses look like they have no idea what they're doing, but that wouldn't stop me from joining up.

Further strengthening the film are the many talented actors who keep the movie from getting cheesy. There's Elijah Wood, who is nightmare-inducing, but also a complete ass-kicker. Bruce Willis does his Bruce Willis thing, which works in this case. Benicio del Toro is always good and always badass, and he doesn't disappoint here. And Jessica Alba is so hot that I'm breaking into a sweat just thinking about her. When I'm finished typing this, I'll probably take a cold shower.

In fact, my only real gripe with *Sin City* is the length. It

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Not your grandfather's *Grey's Anatomy*

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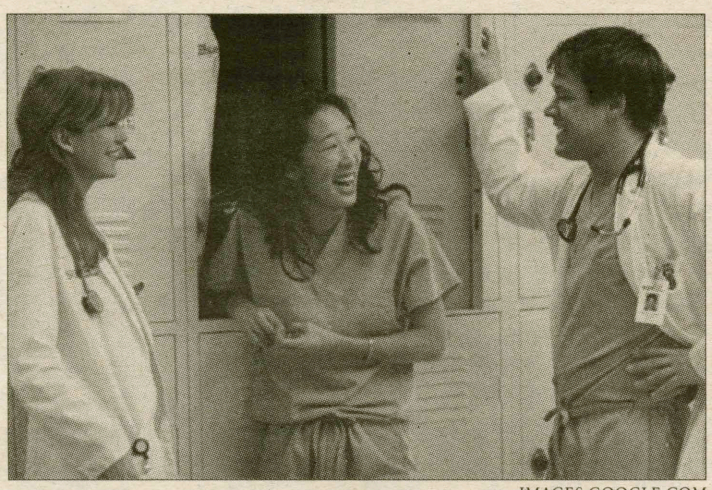
Grey's Anatomy, an encyclopedic book on human anatomy, is infamous to medical students and physicians. Based on the 11-pound book, ABC recently aired the first two episodes of a new sitcom, *Grey's Anatomy*, which focuses on the lives of five surgical interns at Seattle Grace Hospital. Unlike ER, *Grey's Anatomy* focuses more on the relationships and friendships that form between the underlings in a stressful and competitive environment.



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One guy, two girls, lockers... hold on one cotton pickin' minute. This show looks like *Dawson's Creek* in a hospital. Except no Katie Holmes. Drag.

All of the interns have such contrasting personalities that conflicts are sure to arise. There's the arrogant and pompous intern, Alex, who everyone loves to hate; Christina, the book smart intern who has a firm grip on the facts but lacks the personality someone would expect in a doctor.

Added to the group is Izzie, who put herself through med school by modeling and has patients recognize her from magazines, and George, who manages to always say the wrong thing at the wrong time.

Meredith Grey, the show's title character, also struggles to prove herself as a capable doctor and not a younger version of her mother, a pioneering surgeon. Her mother can't even share in the joy of her daughter following in her footsteps - early on in the show we learn that she is now a patient herself, suffering from a mysterious and destructive disease.

While dealing with the stress of long hours and very little sleep, Meredith also hides the fact that her mother is now on the patient side of the medical world, no longer able to practice medicine.

Grey's Anatomy is the perfect combination of medical drama (model Izzie performing a day of rectal exams, Meredith and Christina working together to diagnosis a 15 year old with unexpected seizures, Alex giving a misdiagnosis during his first shift, George having to tell a woman that her husband is dead after a routine surgery) and relationship problems, such as Meredith finding out that her one night stand is also her supervising doctor.

While working their 48-hour shifts, the interns begin to see that real life and medicine don't fall into the strict black and white groupings as they expected from textbooks. Instead, real life and medicine only exist in shades of gray.

Grey's Anatomy airs Sunday nights at 10:00 on ABC.

Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter...and Spring?

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It is my firm belief that the creator of *Van Helsing* should be duct-taped to a chair and forced to watch *Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter... and Spring* eight consecutive times. Ki-Duk Kim, director of *Spring*, demonstrates how one can achieve powerful, moving storytelling without resorting to big budgets, hunky actors, endless special effects, or a contrived, elaborate plot. *Spring* tells the story of a man and his experiences at a small shrine floating in the middle of a lake. The movie is comprised of five short films, each about a certain period of the man's life, beginning with boyhood and ending with middle age. Serving as a Buddhist allegory for existence, we are guided through the life of an individual and all of his sufferings: his cruelty, his lust, his rage, and finally, his peace.

As a child in the first section, *Spring*, he commits a great transgression and receives a harsh lesson from the elder monk. As a teenager in the second, *Summer*, he encounters a member of the opposite sex for the first time, violates his vows as a monk, and leaves the temple. As a man in the third, *Fall*, he returns to the shrine for the first time in many years to atone for a terrible crime in which he has partaken. Well into adulthood in the fourth, *Winter*, he returns to the shrine again many years after the elder monk has died and receives an abandoned child from a stranger. Middle-aged in the fifth, . . . *And Spring*, the cycle begins anew as he raises the young boy under his care.

Be warned, this film is not for everyone. Those who expect car chases, gunfights, and/or epic battle sequences will be sorely disappointed. Peaceful, tragic, and beautiful, *Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter. . .and Spring* is a refreshing respite from the garish, heavy-handed motion pictures to which we are accustomed.

4 out of 5.

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This film does not feature gunfights, car chases and epic battles, but it does feature this totally chill kid. Word.

Keenan Reilly *is* Mischief Solstice. Won't you rock with him?

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ally cheers me right up and this day was no different. Trying to hide my smile I tilted my head back and moved onto the naughty glitter evolution called "Paper Doll."

The opening poetics pay respect to T-Rex's, "Bang a Gong Let's Get it On," which is the title of the glam originators most successful song. Rocking to the basic yet infectious beat, I couldn't help but laugh when the Ziggy-Stardust-motivated line was dropped, "Sing, sing me a song and bang me like the girls in Hong Kong. I know I ain't correct, but politics is so much better when there's sex." Realizing the no-more-than-seventeen-year-old, pretty things who put me at the center stage of their crush joined with The Adam and His Ants inspired "Illegal Tender" made me slightly wary of their pseudo-shy advances. Attempting to ignore the adoration, I moved onto the track "Pledge of Allegiance," which contains the words that spawned the album's title.

Just as I was about to start the final (and my personal favorite) song "The Grand Apartment," young Catherine and Lauren moved across the aisle to sit with me, forcing the headphones off. After a few minutes of flirting (mostly on how much they loved my attire, hair, sunglasses etc...), I found my pockets being stuffed with seventeen-year-old girls' digits, and an invitation to an underage cocktail throw-down. I got off the train only to receive simultaneous playful kisses on my cheeks and an unnecessary boost to my already over-inflated ego. Walking away into obscurity, I clicked on "The Grand Apartment," only to find it the perfect song for the occasion. The slow yet constant deep drones of AC/DC-style note sustaining set the stage for the albums finest, most sexually charged and diabolically arrogant lyrics, "Is life without me merely interlude, while you dream of my body stabbing you with all of my attitude."

I would suggest buying this album immediately, but then again I review albums in a strange way. I find listening to music just to hear it a bit tame; I like to see where it takes me and the things songs can make me do. Indispensable Glam and Glitter Downloads - 1. Louis XIV *The Best Little Secrets Are Kept* (The whole Album, but at the very least you absolutely must acquire The Grand Apartment") 2. David Bowie - "Ziggy Stardust, Suffragette City" 3. Iggy and the Stooges - "Search and Destroy," "Gimme Danger" (In fact, the whole *Raw Power* album is vital when becoming a man, and is sure to change your life) 4. T-Rex - "Bang a Gong (Get it On)." 5. Alice Cooper - "Welcome to my Nightmare."

Homework due Monday: Choose an album (*Dark Side of the Moon* is brilliant, but so unoriginal; choose something else, slacker) and listen to it in its entirety while running errands or some task that requires movement and interaction with strangers. Let the music sway your decisions and destinations. By the end you will find yourself less removed from your environment and develop a connection to things once unknown to you.

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In Between Dreams: Jack Johnson's latest effort

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I bought *In Between Dreams* (Brushfire Records, 2005) on a whim over spring break because so many of my friends had been recommending it so highly. And I must say, I have some pretty smart friends. *In Between Dreams* is definitely my favorite new album so far this year.

Johnson has a very interesting lyrical style, delivered in his vaguely smoky voice and distinctive staccato delivery. While an odd comparison, Jack Johnson reminds me a great deal of Eminem - not in subject, but definitely in delivery, and in the way both seem able to change the intonation and beat of words in order to fit their purpose and meaning. I find myself hearing something new each time I listen to the album - piano, another guitar riff, a more complex beat than I initially thought. Albums with such subtle complexity are usually the most satisfying. However, the subtle complexity of this album (and most of Johnson's work) does not end with his music - his lyrics similarly follow this quality.

Johnson has matured in this latest effort. If you are one of those close-minded people who insist that all of his previous singles have sounded exactly the same, well you will probably think the same thing about this new crop of songs. And you are losing out. Loser.

Anyway, I will review some of the individual songs to give y'all a better feel for this new album. "Sitting, Waiting, Wishing" is the first single and still my favorite song on the album: my song of the moment, so to speak.

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Like that kid on page 15, Jack Johnson is a chill dude.

Funny, and vaguely irritating, how songs tend to do that - fit one's life so perfectly. This is a tale of unrequited love, and the odd and painful way that you cannot forget a person, nor stop the way they are making you feel. "No Other Way" evokes a very strong Nick Drake a la Pink Moon feeling, both in tone and instrumentation. The subdued but lovely presence of the piano accompaniment is particularly beautiful and understated, a tribute in the best light to the genius of Nick Drake. It reminds me a lot of "Harvest Moon," with its quiet, reflective sadness. I found the lyrics, "please woman close your eyes, please get some sleep' particularly poignant while writing this particular review. "Breakdown" reminded me strongly of Israel Kamakawiwo'ole, and not just because of the prominence of the ukulele on the track - the chord progression was particularly Pacific, and reminded me most strongly of Johnson's strong Hawai'ian ties. "Do You Remember" is addressed to his love, a chronicle of a relationship - real, sweet, beautiful and very honest.

You know, it doesn't hurt that Jack Johnson is unbelievably attractive. I would probably listen to him if I didn't know what he looked like, but I am not going to lie, it definitely helps.

Since I am reviewing this album, and I am not sure I have done anything yet besides simper lovingly over it (because it is really that good), I will bring up my only critiques of the album. The beginning of "Situations" features a lovely and simple guitar introduction, which segues into Jack Johnson's voice-over-produced and electronic sounding. It sounds silly and clichéd, and I do not think the track warranted the use of such a silly trick. It sounded like an attempt at playing with his 'sound,' which fell rather flat.

All things considered (no public radio jokes please), I think *In Between Dreams* is a wonderful album, and a fantastic step for Jack Johnson. I recommend that you all pick it up soon. I, for one, will be trying to catch one of his shows this summer. This album gets 4 out of 5 toes. Your call as to whether you think the big toe is out or in this rating

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is only a little over two hours, but everything is so densely packed, from the dialogue to the scenery, that it seems longer. As badass as the prostitute army was, I could have done without that storyline, letting the movie focus solely on the crimes and cover-ups of the Rourk family. However, I can really cannot fault the movie for anything more than that. It won't be winning any Academy Awards (well, maybe for special effects or something), but at the same time it is more than an action flick with senseless violence. There are actual themes in the movie, like redemption, corruption and the ties between religion and violence. Add this to the fact that the story is gripping and the settings are so expertly and interestingly digitally rendered, and you have a movie that simply will not fail to enthrall. This has been Badass Movie Reviews.

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Biology department hosts lecturer to discuss grazing herds in Yellowstone Park

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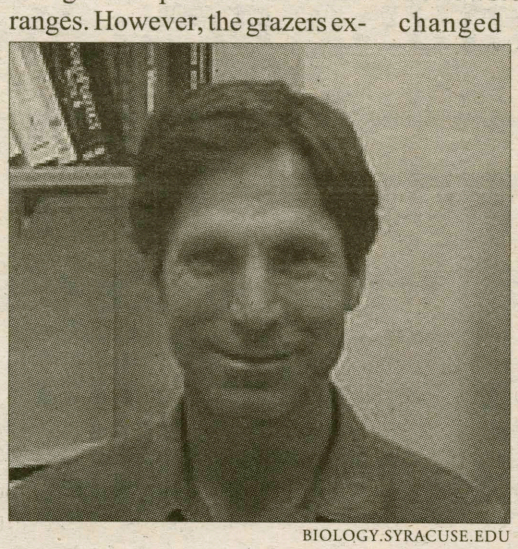
The Biology Department hosted a lecture by Dr. Doug Frank of Syracuse University on Wednesday, April 6. The lecture was entitled Bottom-up and Top-down Effects on a Grazing Ecosystem: Drought and Wolves in Yellowstone National Park.

Dr. Frank discussed the results of his research on the effect of herbivores on plant production in Yellowstone National Park over the past several years. He then discussed the effects of a two-year drought and the reintroduction of a predatory species on plant production, both directly and indirectly through the effects on grazers.

Research has found that grazing herds (elks, bison, etc.) actually increase shoot (above ground) productivity and root (below ground) productivity. Sections of grazing land were fenced off so that animals had no access to them, and the above- and below-ground productivity was measured and found to be higher in both cases where animals had grazed.

Part of the explanation for grazers increasing root production is that they promote nitrogen mineralization to the plants; the amount of nitrogen available was doubled in areas that were grazed.

The years 2000 and 2001 were especially dry and caused some changes in the ecosystem of Yellowstone. The direct effects of the drought on plant production showed very little change overall in above-ground production, but a decline in below-ground production in all ranges. However, the grazers exacerbated the effects of the drought and both above-ground and below-ground productivity were reduced in grazed areas.



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Syracuse UniversityAssistant Professor of Biology Doug Frank spoke at Hamilton about the effect of droughts and the reintroduction of predatory animals on grazing herds.

A second factor recently affecting the ecosystem was the reintroduction of a predatory species. In 1996 and 1997, 31 wolves were reintroduced into Yellowstone; in 2001, there were 150 wolves in the park. Soon after the wolves were introduced, there was a noticeable decline in the elk population, the most populous species in Yellowstone. The wolves also changed the pattern of the landscape grazed by the herbivores; areas that were before grazed often were avoided and the animals found new areas.

As a result of fewer grazers, the above-ground production by herbivores significantly declined. The reintroduction of wolves also indirectly affected the nutrient mineralization by grazers, but not overall.

Dr. Frank ended his lecture with a chart showing the main findings of recent research. The ultimate effect of the drought and of the reintroduction of wolves was to reduce the positive effect grazers have on the Yellowstone ecosystem.

Gene therapy shows limited results and many setbacks

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Approximately 15 years ago, scientists began developing gene therapy, a new field of research that would hopefully supply the cures for a diverse range of medical problems.

Gene therapy was to bring about a revolution of treatments for a variety of diseases, surpassing previous attempts to do so. However, despite years of research, gene therapy has had limited success and quite a few tragedies and setbacks.

Over 90 clinical trials have produced few successes, and even long time supporters of gene therapy are disappointed with the slow progression of gene therapy development. Scientists have commented that, although they see the definite benefits of using a gene as a drug, it is difficult to make the transfer successful.

Gene therapy has the ability to cure diseases that would be incurable by other methods; however, this often comes at a high cost. In 1999, 10 children with a rare genetic disorder that affects the immune system went under gene therapy treatment. The treatment allowed the children to have fun and play and engage in the same ordinary activities of their peers, despite having what would have been a lethal disease.

Bone marrow transplants would have been another option, but it is often very difficult to find a donor. The gene treatment seemed to be working perfectly until two of the children developed leukemia in 2002.

French doctors reported that one of the children died of the cancer, and a third child seems to be developing a similar condition. The message that scientists and doctors take from this story is that there is an extremely high risk involved in gene therapy.

According to Yahoo news, Theodore Friedmann, professor of pediatrics and biomedical ethics at the University of California San Diego School of Medicine, "This is the first example of a really effective, robust treatment of anything by gene therapy. But that treatment carries an enormous cost."

Fortunately for medicine, gene therapy will continue to be tested, since it can often be successful. Also, other forms of therapy, such as radiation and chemotherapy, have been in use for decades and still are not perfectly safe.

Scientists often find that if a treatment is taking a long time to perfect, investors give up and remove their support. For example, Dr. Katherine High, a researcher who has been working on a cure for the blood-clot disease, Hemophilia, now must rely solely on grants for monetary support.

Scientists try to enforce the view that, despite setbacks, there has been an incredible progression towards finding cures for widespread diseases such as cancer. Gene therapy, among other progressive forms of medicine, may someday be able to help millions of people live healthy lives.

An update: environmental pollution and climate changes

by Rebecca Grusky '06
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Report predicts climate change in Illinois and Great Lakes Region

A new report from the University of Illinois and the Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) shows that climate changes in Illinois and the Great Lakes will hurt farmers. according to a UCS press release from March 8, 2005. Current farming practices will be disrupted by changes in precipitation patterns, more extreme rainfall, increasing ozone concentrations and a rise in pests and pathogens.

The changes will cause crop losses, especially corn and soybeans, and higher costs for farmers. Members of UCS believe that there are effective agricultural solutions that reduce global warming by reducing soil erosion, improving air and water quality and other methods of addressing climate change. These methods include no-till and reduced tillage practices, which are effective solutions for soil management, and the use of cover crops to enhance short-term soil carbon storage.

These solutions are also expected to bring in additional revenues to farmers. The new report predicts that by 2030, maximum daily temperatures in the Great Lakes region will rise by 5 to 12 degrees in winter and 5 to 20 degrees in summer; droughts will also occur more frequently. UCS recommends focusing on renewable energy sources as a way to lower natural gas prices and reduce fertilizer prices, as well as to provide more jobs.

Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers accused of false advertising; UCS runs counter ad

The Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) reported that there have been 22,757 consumer complaints to the Federal Communications Commission about a false advertisement by the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers, in a press release on March 22, 2005.. The ad states: "Autos manufactured today are virtually emission-free." However, statistics from the Environmental Protection Agency show that the least environmentally-friendly autos made today actually emit 40 times more smog-forming pollution than the new Ford Escape Hybrid.

UCS is running a counter ad to challenge the claims of the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers. UCS argues that the Auto Alliance is using a similar method of deception as cigarette-makers once used to hide the harmful effects of their product. The UCS intends to show that the Auto Alliance, which is the leading group suing to stop the state regulations on heat-trapping carbon dioxide emissions from autos, is purposely lying to benefit from possible upcoming changes in the Clean Air Act.

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The new Ford Escape Hybrid produces 40 times less pollution than the least environmentally friendly vehicles on the market today, according to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Google provides new satellite imaging program; many concered about privacy

by Caitlin Rochford '06
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The search engine, Google, made free access available to an on-line satellite map on Monday. This map became part of Google's free on-line services as part of a package recently purchased from Keyhole Corp., according to CNN.com.

When users visit http://maps.google.com/ they will have the option of choosing to see a satellite picture instead of the traditional map of any address that they search. Before Google bought this service, users had to pay $29.95 to download the software.

The Keyhole technology allows users to view a satellite image of the address they request. This technology makes many nervous, because of the possibility for invasion of privacy.

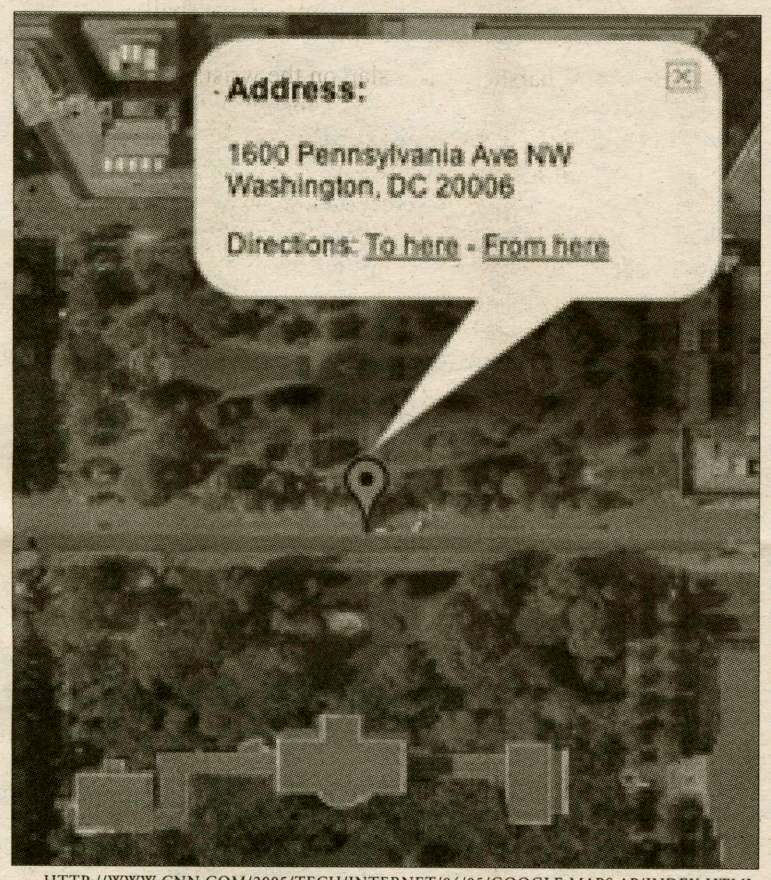
Concerns have also been raised regarding Keyhole's former government ties. According to CNN.com, "Keyhole raised some money in 2003 from In-Q-Tel, a venture capital firm backed by the Central Intelligence Agency. Leading up to the Google sale, Keyhole's roughly 10,000 customers included a cross-section of government agencies."

General manager of Keyhole John Hanke responded to these concerns, saying that there is little reason to worry about privacy issues, since the images pulled up on Google are generally between six and 12 months old. According to CNN.com, he said, "And it's not like you are going to be able to read a license plate on a car or see what an individual was doing when a particular image was taken."

Instead, Google believes that users will be able to use this service to estimate a location's proximity to other destinations, such as a beach. Users will also be able to scout out a neighborhood of a potential house or apartment.

Currently, the satellite maps are only available to users in the United States.

Google's new map service is expected to take business away from Mapquest, which is currently the most popular website for finding directions. Many other on-line services will probably be forced to upgrade their technology as well. Experts suggest that this will be a common technology in a few years.



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Google unveiled a new service on Monday that allows users to view a satellite image of the address they search. This technology has caused many concerns among those who fear that it could cause privacy problems.

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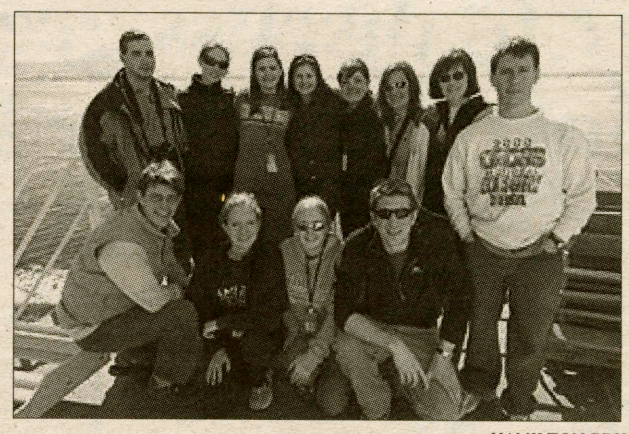

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Coming next week...

Colorado governor vetoes legislation to require that contraception information be given to victims of rape

by Caitlin Rochford '06
SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EDITOR

Colorado Governor Bill Owens vetoed a bill that would have required hospitals to provide information about emergency contraception to rape victims. In his veto letter delivered on Tuesday, Owens wrote, "This bill does not give patients all the information that they deserve, nor does it safeguard basic freedom of conscience," according to CNN.com.

Sponsored by Representative Betty Boyd (D-Lakewood) and Senator Jennifer Veiga (D-Denver), the bill has been rejected for the past two years, because Republicans had control of the House and Senate. This year the Democrats were in control, so the bill was passed in both houses, just to be vetoed by the governor.

Boyd said that, although she did not have enough votes to overturn the veto this year, she would return next year with new legislation.

The defeat of this bill, House Bill 1042, was a success for the Catholic Church and conservative lawmakers, who disapprove of the use of artificial birth control and abortion.

While most hospitals may continue to hand out this information, it is the Catholic hospitals that are a cause for concern among the more liberal lawmakers. Boyd and Veiga commented that a rape victim has no choice as to which hospital she goes to, according to Rocky Mountain News. The two argued that rape victims that are brought to a Catholic hospital should be given the same services as anyone else.

An article on CNN.com reported last week on the controversy surrounding Owens's consideration of the emergency contraception bill. Owens, who ran on a conservative ticket, is a Roman Catholic. Owens refused to take stance on the bill until after it was approved by the legislature, according to CNN.com.

Another important player in this dispute was Roman Catholic Archbishop Charles Chaput of the Archdioces of Denver. Chaput said that he disagreed with the bill, because it did not mandate that health care professionals tell patients that the emergency contraception would block a fertilized egg from being implanted, which is the same as abortion. Chaput said that the Church does not object to rape victims taking medication that would prevet ovulation, since there would be no fertilization.

Sergio Gutierrez, spokeman for the Archbishop said, "We think this is a victory for religious freedom," according to Rocky Mountain News.

Republicans who support this bill claim that the emergency contraception pill actually avoid abortions, because it keeps the egg from attaching to the uterine wall, thus preventing pregnancy.

According to Rocky Mountain News, Spokeswoman for the Colorado Republican Majority for Choice said, "There are so many things I find appalling here it's hard to know where to begin. The governor says one particular religion should trump medical care and one particular religion should trump law. Hospitals are not houses of worship."

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PHOTO BY NICK LUND

The golf team finished 11th out of twelve in the Peter Rossin Memorial hosted by Washington & Jefferson College at Canonsburg, Pa., on April 2. The tournament took place at Southpointe Country Club, a par-72 course that plays at 6,336 yards.

The Continentals finished with a four-man total of 332. Allegheny College won the team title with 299 shots, which was three better than the host school. The two-day event was shortened to one day because of inclement weather.

"The real" Mike Hayes '08 led Hamilton with a 77, while Chris Pike '07 (above) carded an 84 and Jim Burns '08 was one shot behind. Dan Treichler '08 rounded out the top four with a solid 86 for Hamilton's squad.

The Continentals hosted their own invitational at Skenandoa Golf Course on Wednesday, April 6, at 11 a.m. The course is a par 72, 6,563 yard terrain.

Hamilton finished the twelve team event in 3rd place, compiling a total score of 306 as they came in 1 point behind SUNY Delhi, and 13 strokes in back of the eventual winner St. Lawrence. Travis Gilbert of Delhi completed the course with an individual score of 70, to lead all players. Hamilton's Mike Hayes shot a 72 tying him with four other players. Pike shot a 75 and Burns came in with a 76. Treichler once again rounded out the top four with a score of 78.

Hamilton's next tournament will be April 16, when the Continentals travel to Williamstown, MA in the Williams Spring Invitational. Following that one day event the Continentals will head to picturesque Sarasota Springs to compete in Skidmore College's Palamountain Invitational.

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Balco Babies

Fans' support of steroid users gives mixed message to profesional athletes.

by Michael Proia '05
SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR

With all the hype surrounding Barry Bonds, Jason Giambi, and the rest of the alleged steroid users in Major League Baseball, I cannot help but wonder, do fans across the country really care that much about the use of performance enhancing drugs?

Most online polls of fans would indicate the fans want to see stricter testing, harsher penalties, and a cleaner game. But if that's all true, than how can they still vote Giambi and Bonds as starters in last summer's All-Star game?

SPORTS OP-ED

At the start of spring training Jason Giambi announced to the media and public that he was "sorry" for what he had done, but would not say exactly what he was apologizing for, or admit to steroid use. I don't mind any of that, because at the time he was under grand jury subpoena and could not discuss anything about the case. My issue lies with the fans, who have rallied around Giambi in support of the man because he used the "s" word, and like I said, the "s" word was not "steroids," it was "sorry."

Are we really supposed to forgive a man who essentially admitted to disrupting the level playing field that is supposed to exist in professional sports? If I cheat on a test here, then a year later get caught, if I go back to the professor can say, "sorry for doing what I did" will my grade still stand, and should I be applauded for it? I hope not, yet the fans of MLB have done just that.

Two weeks ago Barry Bonds told the media that they had "finally brought [him] down" and that he was "tired." Aww, does the poor little millionaire with tarnished homerun records need to take a nap? Give me a break Barry, I will not pity you, I will not absolve you of wrongdoing. There are too many clean players who deserve the respect of the fans for you to be complaining about harsh treatment by the media and fans.

MLB and Commissioner Selig took its first steps in cleaning up the game last week when they suspended Alex Sanchez for ten games. I had the same question as everyone else when I heard this news...WHO? Way to make an example of someone nobody even knows Selig. That's really going to get the public on the side of the owners. How about suspending another 40 minor leaguers just to prove how serious it is? Oh yeah, they did that too this week, and unsurprisingly the big names in baseball are getting off without so much as a slap on the wrist.

Apparently the steroid issue casts a shorter shadow then one might have thought based on the congressional hearings. Baseball does not seem to be any cleaner, yet last year attendances were at all-time highs in some of the major cities. I guess the fans will keep showing up no matter what happens.

Don't get me wrong, I went to games too. I watched games on television and even ordered MLB.TV to watch games on my computer. Then again, I support a team without a single player allegedly using steroids.

Maybe I'm the one missing something here, but how can fans be against steroids and at the same time support Balco baby Jason Giambi?

Oh, I get it now, he quit using performance enhancing drugs, so we should show him how proud we are that he has finally seen the error of his ways and cleaned himself up. It only took an intestinal parasite, grand jury subpoena, congressional hearing, and a stricter testing policy to make him change his mind about using. When you look at it like that, I guess it makes perfect sense to cheer for guys like Bonds and Giambi and Sosa.

If you end up at a ballpark this summer, and find an All-Star ballot in your hands, maybe you should think about whom you'd want your kids to be like when they pretend to be professional athletes while playing wiffleball in the back yard.

I attended the 1999 All-Star game and watched Pedro Martinez blow through Sammy Sosa, Larry Walker, Mark McGwire, Barry Larkin and Jeff Bagwell. For my money that was a lot more exciting than watching juiced up musclemen hit the ball 450 feet. For my money, I want to see the best pitchers facing clean players like Jim Thome, Manny Ramirez, Adrian Beltre and "Senior Octobre" David Ortiz.

BY NICK LUND '05

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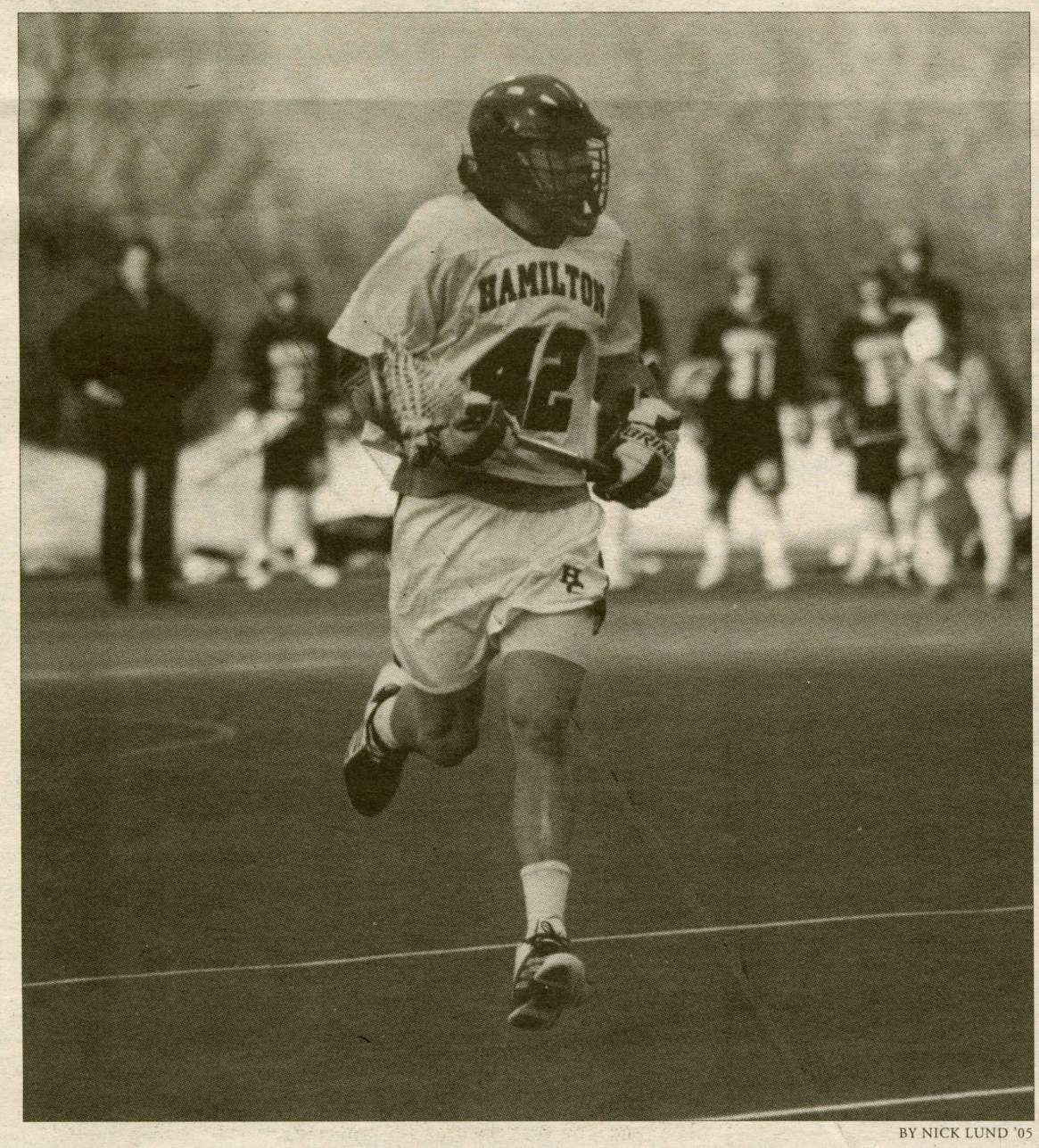
Clark Winter (top left) and Jimmy Henry (top right) lead Hamilton's strong attack group, as the Continentals have posted a 7-1 record thus far this season. Henry, who serves as one of the team's five senior captains, also leads the team with 33 points. Jack Newton currently ranks second with 23 points, and Winter's 14 points rank him third on the squad.

Men's lacrosse looks towards St. Lawrence



BY NICK LUND '05

Travis Modic (above) has anchored Hamilton's "instant offense" line of midfielders, which also features fellow sophomores Mike Daley and Patrick Hooper, while Nate Harris (right) has helped the Contitental defense hold opponents to an average of 6.375 goals per game. The team will face off in their second league matchup of the season in a game against the defending UCAA champion St. Lawrence Saints this coming Saturday afternoon.

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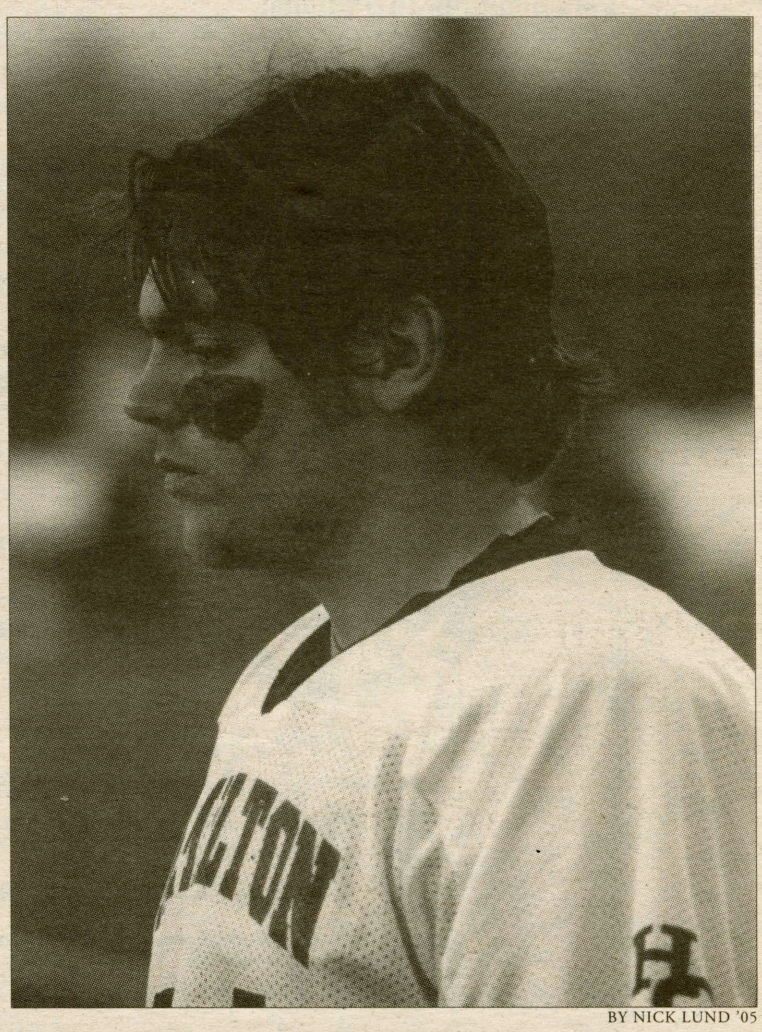
tals look to relieve some of their frustration against a talented St. Lawrence squad in another Liberty League showdown. The team has not had any games this week as they have had plenty of time to prepare for St. Lawrence with the RPI loss still fresh in their minds. St. Lawrence is riding a three game winning streak and coming off a solid win over Union. Hamilton will have to be wary of the Saints' potent attack, including freshman standout Kevin Russell, who leads the team in points and is second in goals. Hamilton will also need to overcome any lingering disappointment from the previous weekend but Gillis does not think it will be a problem, saying the team is "excited to get back out there and play again."

The warmer weather is also a reminder that the season is flying by fast; in fact the team only has six games remaining before the Liberty League playoffs begin. Men's lacrosse action returns to the Hill next Wednesday with a crucial league game against Clarkson.



BY NICK LUND '05

Softball team is optimistic about remaining matchups

by Matt Bradley '07
SPORTS WRITER

The women's softball team faced local rival Utica College in a difficult double-header this past Tuesday, April 5. While games were played at Utica's Greenman Field, they marked the first opportunity for Hamilton to play in central New York. The squad recently returned from its week-long schedule in Orlando, Florida. Unfortunately, the Continentals were not able to emerge victorious from either game against the Pioneers. Hamilton did, however, show some impressive signs of offensive life, especially in its first game.

Hamilton fell behind early in its first game against Utica, when the Pioneers picked up four runs in the first inning. Olivia Frost '07 drove in Hamilton's only run of the game, in the top of the second inning. Utica then came out in the bottom of the second and drove in two more. Utica enjoyed at comfortable 6-1 lead after two innings, and that is how the game ended up.

Colby Bishop '06, Lindsey Eaton '05, Erica Gomez '05, and Jen Sadowsky '08 each contributed a hit against the Pioneers. Unfortunately, the Continentals could not keep up with Utica's explosiveness at the plate. "Our main problem at the moment is giving up big innings," said Frost. "We didn't have too many errors, but we definitely need to pick up our hitting."

The girls put the 6-1 loss behind them, knowing that another game against Utica College still awaited them.

Hamilton came out aggressively in its second game of the double-header. The Continentals picked up three runs in the top of the first, creating hope for the exhausted Hamilton squad. Bishop knocked in the first run for Hamilton. Frost then followed, knocking in a couple more on an impressive two-run double. After one inning, Hamilton boasted a 3-1 lead over Utica.

"Our main problem at the moment is giving up big innings."
— Olivia Frost '07

The Pioneers had a very productive second inning, however, knocking in four runs and taking the lead from the Continentals. Frost later recorded a single, marking her second hit of the game, and her first multiple-hit game this season. Diana Gaydusek '07, Jane Minehan '07, and Tracy Zaino '05 also recorded hits for the Continentals, while Bishop, Gomez, and Zaino each crossed the plate to account for Hamilton's three runs.

Eaton is the only pitcher on the Hamilton roster this season. Therefore, she had to hang tough on the mound throughout both games. While her veteran presence on the mound provides a sense of security for the squad, fatigue is obviously an issue, as she pitches every game for the Continentals. Regardless, the understaffed, yet determined Hamilton squad forges on. "We showed a lot of heart jumping out to an early lead in the second game. Unfortunately, we didn't keep the hitting up, and they did," said co-captain, Zaino, about the second game against Utica. She added, "once we pick up our hitting, the pieces will fall into place."

The team remains optimistic about its upcoming games, realizing, however, it must work even harder because of the squad's small numbers.

The Continentals were originally scheduled to play their home-opener yesterday, against the University of Rochester. Yet, due to the rainy weather forecast, the game was moved to today, Friday, April 8. The game will begin at 3:30pm on the softball field. All fans are encouraged to take advantage of the Friday afternoon game, and cheer on the softball team as they hit to knock off Rochester.

Hamilton College Team Records
As of April 8, 2005

Baseball	**4-7**
Men's Lacrosse	**7-1**
Men's Tennis	**4-6**
Softball	**2-8**
Women's Lacrosse	**5-2**
Women's Tennis	**9-1**

BY TAYLOR AUSTIN '06

Dee Forshay and the women's lacrosse team will hit the road this weekend to play #8 Clarkson and #4 St. Lawrence this coming weekend.

Women's lacrosse ranked 12th in DIII

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over a minute left in the game, to bring the final score to 12-9.

Stots scored four goals versus Vassar, bringing her weekend total to nine. McGowan contributed three goals, while Belmont, Meaghan Carrigan '07, Nicole Barrett '08, Tetreault, and Trabandt each scored once for the Contientals.

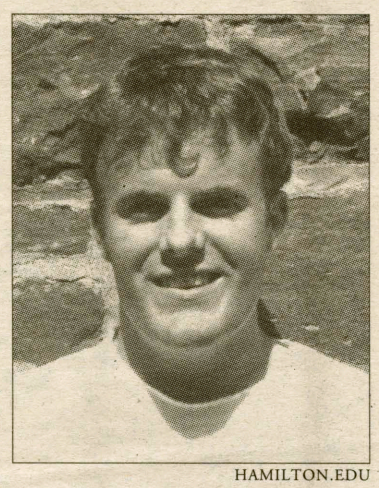
Head coach Patty Kloidt has been more than satisfied with the team's performance this year: She explained, "I truly think we have the achieved physical training required to have a successful season. The team is fit, their stickwork is improving and they are understanding our patterns of play."

Stots leads the team with 26 goals and four assists, followed by Tetreault with 18 goals and 3 assists. Rounding out the high scorers for the 2005 Continentals are Belmont (12), Chase (8), McGowan (8), Jacobs (7), and Carrigan (7).

The women's lacrosse team will travel to SUNY Potsdam and face Clarkson on Friday afternoon at 1 p.m. for a Liberty League match-up, followed by an away game on Saturday at St. Lawrence at 3:30 p.m. The Continentals will return to the Hill on Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. to host Nazareth under the lights at the turf field.

Men's tennis team crushes Camels 7-0

by Michael Proia '05
SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR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Duncan Cameron

The men's tennis team evened its spring record at 3-3 with a dominant 7-0 win over Connecticut College at Scott Field House on April 2.

Hamilton won all nine matches, including every one of the six singles matches in straight sets. Two of the three doubles matches were won 8-0. Co-captain **Duncan Cameron '05** and **Dan Gordon '08** shut out their first flight opponents. Co-captain **John Pearson '05** and **Zach Kahn '06** did the same at second flight. **Reid Snyder '08** and **Jeff Lahrmann '08** won 8-3 at third flight.

Cameron and Pearson both conquered their opponents without losing a game in the third and fourth singles flight matches, respectively. Kahn, Snyder, Gordon and **Ben Bradford '07** also won handily in their singles play this past weekend.

HAMILTON ROUNDUP

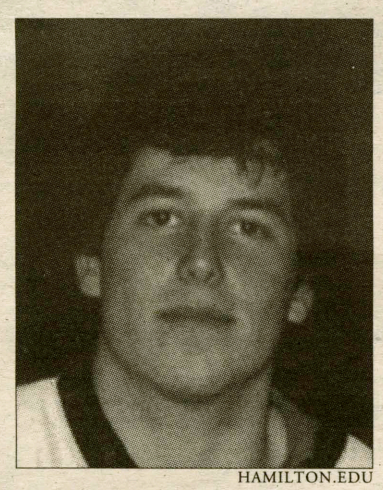
Following the win against Connecticut College, Hamilton's three-match winning streak came to an end this week as undefeated Rensselaer won the match in a 4-3 victory at Sharp Courts on April 5. The Red Hawks and Continentals came out even from the six singles matches, but RPI came out victorious in two of three doubles matches to take the contest.

Cameron and Gordon won their first flight doubles match, 8-4. However, Rensselaer responded by winning second and third flight, including one tightly contested match with a final of 9-7.

Cameron, co-captain **John Pearson '05** and Bradford swept the third through fifth flight singles matches in straight sets. All three have won four straight matches. Cameron improved his overall singles record to 8-7 this spring. RPI won two of three singles matches in three tough sets. The scores of Gordon's spirited first flight match were 7-5, 2-6 and 7-5.

LIBERTY LEAGUE HONORS

Three Hamilton College athletes from two different sports were honored by the Liberty League on April 4 when the league selected its weekly award winners.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Jim Henry

Men's lacrosse forward **Jim Henry '05** was selected the Offensive Performer of the Week after scoring five goals and assisting on six others. Henry was also credited with eight ground balls. Henry had already been recognized by the league this season as a top performer. Henry leads Hamilton with 20 goals and 13 assists. He moved into second place on the Continentals' all-time points list with 171 in his career.

Hamilton picked up a pair of men's tennis awards after overpowering Skidmore College and Connecticut College last week. **Duncan Cameron '05** earned Performer of the Week honors and **Dan Gordon '08** was named Rookie of the Week for the second straight week. Cameron won both his matches at third flight singles and Gordon went 2-0 at first flight. The pair hooked up to win both first flight doubles matches.

LIBERTY LEAGUE HONORS

The men's and women's lacrosse team's Goal-a-thon picked up steam last week as both teams played against top competition. The current goals for each team stand at 79 for the women's team and 82 for the men's team. If you would like to make a pledge for the season on a per goal basis, the form is available at hamilton.edu athletics page on both teams' sites. All the funds will be donated to support the Tsunami Relief Effort.

This Week in Hamilton Sports

SPORT							
Men's lacrosse		Away @ St. Lawrence 1 p.m.				VS. Clarkson @ 5 p.m.	
Women's lacrosse	Away @ Clarkson 1:30 p.m.	Away @ St. Lawrence 3:30 p.m.			VS. Nazareth 6 p.m.		
Baseball		VS. Williams @ 1 p.m.	VS. Williams @ 12 p.m.		Away @ Union 4 p.m.	Away @ SUNY IT 4 p.m.	
Softball	VS. Rochester 3:30 p.m.		Away @ Amherst 1 p.m.				
Men's tennis		Away @ Clarkson 1 p.m.				Away @ Hobart 4 p.m.	
Women's tennis		Away @ Wellesley 9 a.m.					
Men's Track and Field		Away @ Rochester Invistational 11 a.m.			VS. SUNY Oswego 4:30		
Women's Track and field		Away @ Rochester Invistational 11 a.m.			VS. SUNY Oswego 4:30		
Golf							

INDICATES HOME GAME INDICATES AWAY GAME

BY NICK LUND '05

Benji Borowski (above) has gone 5 for 20 at the plate and played solid defensively for the 4-7 Continentals this season.

Men's baseball beats local rival Utica College

by Andrew Dassori '07
SPORTS EDITOR

In their first game since returning from sunny Florida, Hamilton's baseball team came out strong against crosstown rival Utica College, crushing the Pioneer pitching staff with a 17 hit bombardment in the 19th annual Jackie Robinson game. The Continentals put up 15 runs and gave up just 9 to post their third straight win, and notching them at 4-7 overall.

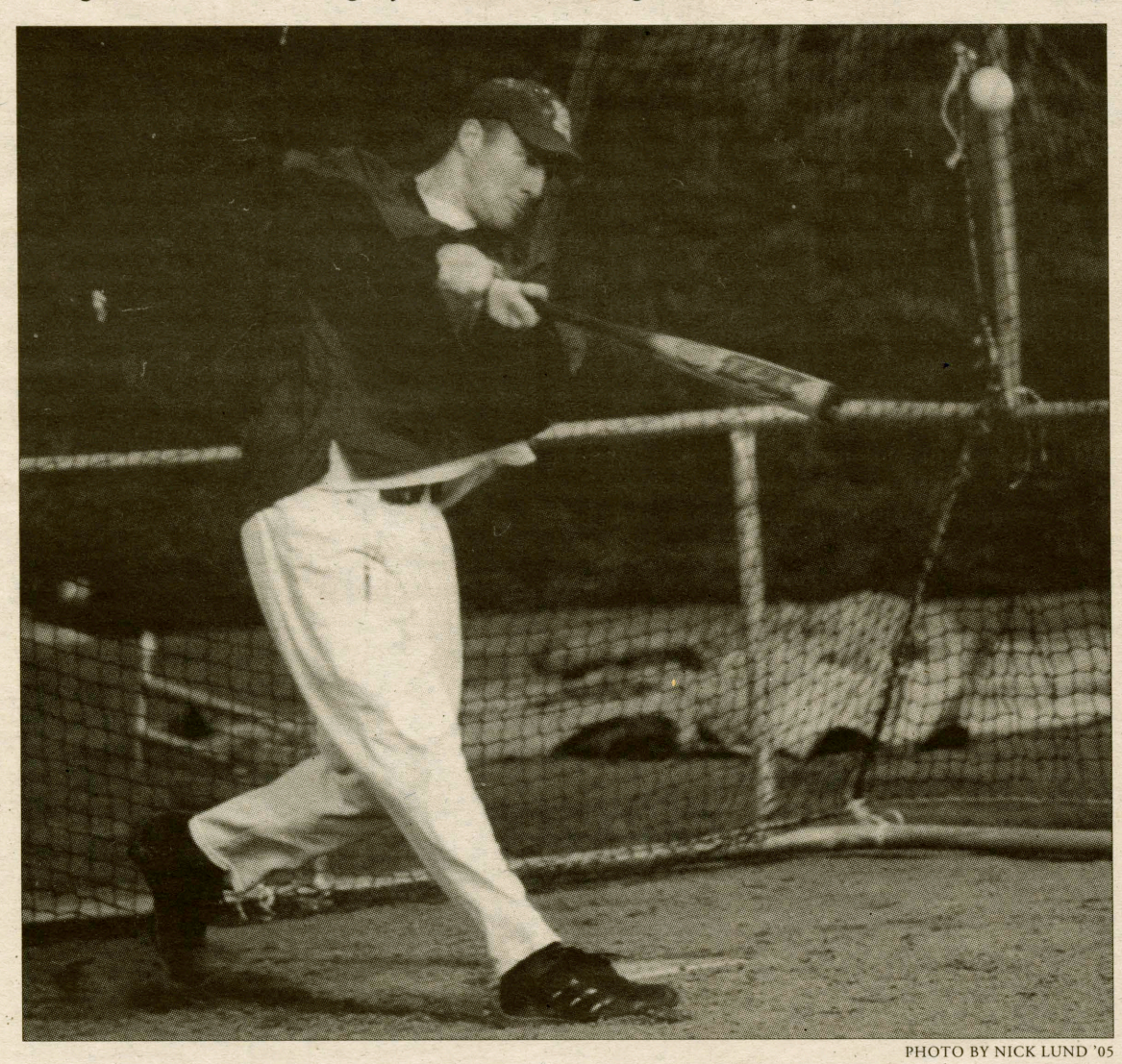
The Continental's ace, Paul Kibbe, '05 started the game, and, to no surprise, did not disappoint Hamilton fans. Kibbe picked up his eighth career win, ranking him fourth on Hamilton's all-time career win list, as he struck out six and gave up six earned runs in his seven innings pitched. Kibbe also moved into second place on the all-time list for innings pitched, as he raised his career total to 133. Kevin Coppola '07 helped the Continentals pitching staff as well, putting away any hope of a Pioneer rally with a perfect ninth inning to shut the door.

After hot hitting towards the end of their trip in Florida, several Hamilton position-players brought their streaks to Central New York. Dan Hood '08 continues to impress despite his first year status, and managed three doubles and one RBI off of Utica pitching on Wednesday. Hood also played well defensively behind the plate, keeping runners in check throughout the game.

"Hood is just nasty. Hitting-wise he does his job every time, and defensively I can't imagine anyone in the league being better than him," said junior transfer Matt Hartnett '06. Among the other heavy hitters was Francis Pat McGarry '07, who has made his yearly transition from hockey to baseball with ease. McGarry scored three and drove in three in the win, while fellow sophomore Patrick Suarez '07 also scored three. Hartnett was the leading run producer with four RBIs on two hits, capping off the Continentals' dominant offensive performance. In reference to their win, Hartnett explained, "the biggest thing is that the guys on the team are really easy to play with, team guys that just want to win, and that's the best thing. Paul Kibbe was the foundation for the win, he pitched great, and offensively the whole team was contributing; we fed off what Kibbe was doing on the mound." With their solid pitching and offensive firepower, the Continentals look to be a formidable force as they continue their season.

The team was rained out in their post-spring break scheduled play until Wednesday's game, but showed that they hadn't lost a step after the progress they made in the warm weather. With crucial NESCAC play in their immediate future, the Continentals look ready to roll.

Williams College comes to town on April 9th and 10th, and the team hopes to pick up a win as they did last year against the traditionally talented Ephs. Though they will not face off at the Yankees' spring training complex as they did last year in the evil sights of Williams graduate George Steinbrenner, Royce field should provide the perfect venue for the Continentals to add their first league win of the season to their overall record.



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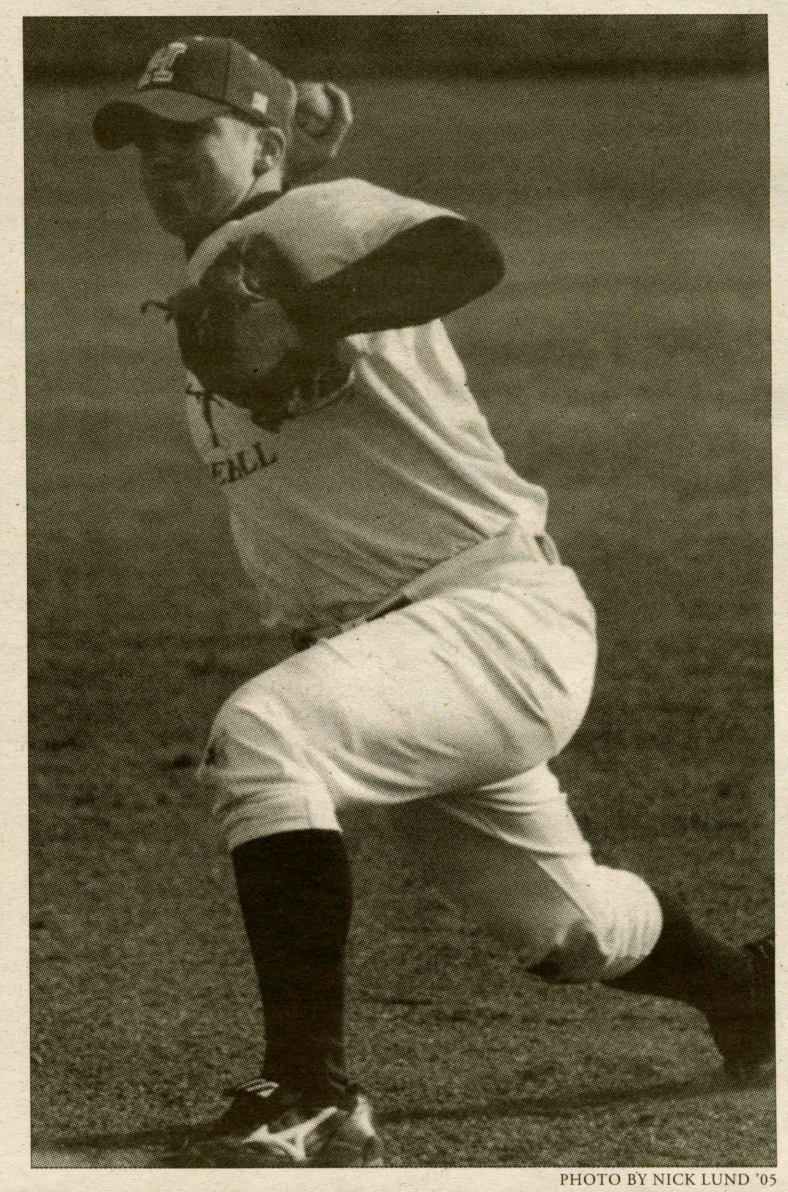

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The Continentals' Pat McGarry (above) has been crushing the ball as of late, while Brian Farnkoff (bottom right) has been strong out of the bullpen this season.

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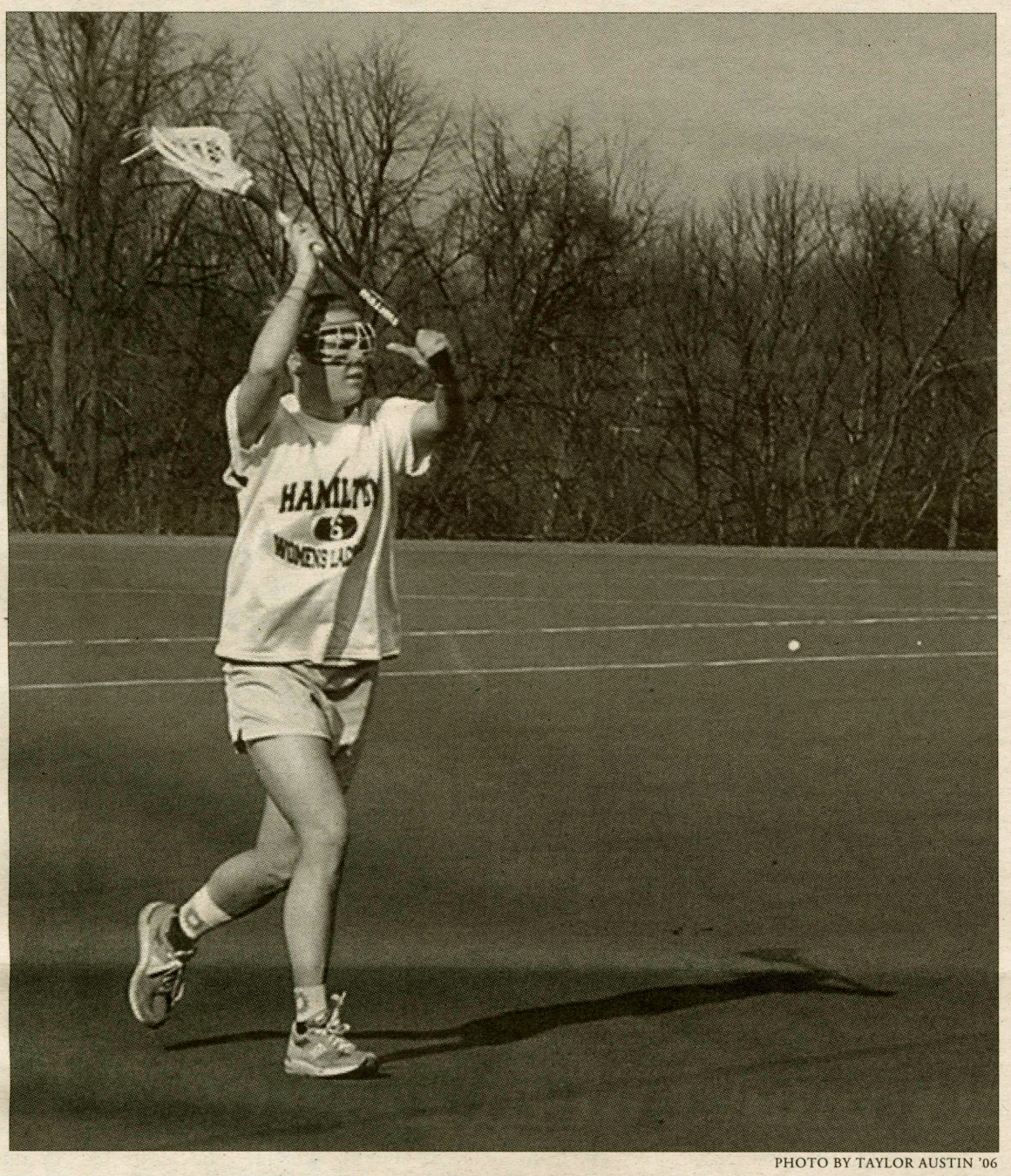

PHOTO BY TAYLOR AUSTIN '06

Defender Amanda Hollis has forced five turnovers and picked up 14 ground balls this season. She is a co-captain of the women's lacrosse team.

Women's lacrosse tied for 1st place

Continentals go 2-0 to start off Liberty League conference play

by Katie Childs '08
SPORTS EDITOR

The nationally ranked women's lacrosse team is tied for first place in the Liberty League after beating RPI and Vassar last weekend to start off their conference season. The Continentals are currently ranked 12th in the Nation for Division III after the victories (2-0 league, 5-2 overall).

Hamilton dominated RPI during the first half when they played host to the Red Hawks on Friday, April 1. The Continentals scored the first six goals of the game, including back-to-back goals by current leading goal-scorer Inga Stots '07. RPI answered with three goals at the end of the first half, but the women's lacrosse team still headed into halftime with a comfortable 7-3 lead.

RPI started the second half strong, however, and continued its five-goal scoring run, bringing the score to 7-6. Stots cut off the Red Hawks and contributed three goals in the second half, including the last goal of the game with 16 seconds left, which cemented the 12-8 victory.

Suzy Belmont '07 and Nicole Tetreault '08 tallied two goals each; Caitlin Jacobs '07, Liz Longley '07, and Britten Chase '05 each scored one goal. Kalley Greer '07 had six saves during the game.

Hamilton faced Vassar on Saturday, April 2 in a competitive game. Jen McGowan '08 scored the first goal, but Vassar tied the game at 1-1 with 14:40 left in the first half. Belmont scored and Vassar answered a minute later with an unassisted goal. Hamilton was able to gain a lead after Christina Trabandt '05, Tetreault, and Stots scored to close out the first half.

The second half gave Vassar a chance to catch up to the Continentals; the Brewers brought the score to a 6-6 tie with 19:13 left in the game.

Four consecutive goals by Hamilton gave the team a solid lead with 7:37 minutes left to play. Vassar scored three more times in the second half, answered by a Stots goal and then one from McGowan with just

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Men's lacrosse falls to first-place RPI in tough game

by Nick Rockwell '08
SPORTS WRITER

The Hamilton College men's lacrosse team took a minor setback this past weekend, losing 10-9 to RPI in its first Liberty League contest. The Continentals (0-1 league, 7-1 overall) held a comfortable lead throughout most of the play but allowed the Red Hawks back into the game in the fourth quarter. The team is looking to rebound this weekend against a tough St. Lawrence squad, ranked 19th in the country. Unfortunately, this weekend's league game will be played on North Country Field, the Saints' home turf in Canton, New York.

Against RPI, Hamilton controlled the play for three and a half quarters and led 8-4 with just over twelve minutes remaining. The Red Hawks proved to be resilient on their home field and stormed back, bringing the score to 8-7 before Scott Cohen '05 was able to restore the two-goal Continental lead with 1:58 remaining in the game. RPI was not fazed and scored two goals within 11 seconds of each other to tie the contest at nine, followed by the game-winner by Chris Sherman with just 38 seconds left. The dramatic comeback certainly stung the previously undefeated Hamilton squad. "The loss was tough, but we will learn from our mistakes and move on," said freshman defenseman Ned Gillis '08. Standouts for the Buff and Blue were Jack Newton '06 and Co-captain Jim Henry '05, who each found the twine twice. Ethan Shoemaker '07 turned away 13 shots in the losing effort.

Henry '05, who also had three assists in the loss, continues to pour out the production. He is averaging over two goals per game and leads the team in goals (20) and assists (13). The senior attackman was also named Liberty League Offensive Performer of the Week for his efforts in the RPI and SUNY Oneonta games. It is the second time this season he has earned this honor. In those games, Henry '05 tallied five goals and six assists to add to his stunning career total of 171 points. He is second on the Hamilton Lacrosse all-time point list.

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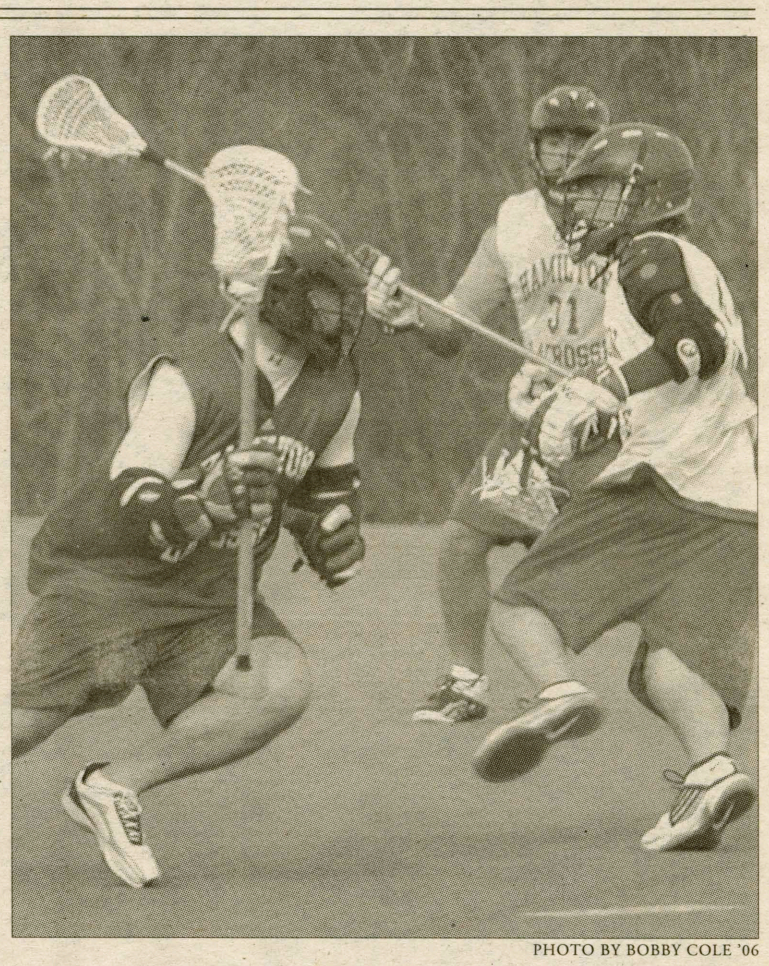

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The men's lacrosse team will travel to St. Lawrence University on Saturday for a Liberty League game. After a perfect start to the spring season, the Continentals are currently 0-1 in League play and 7-1 overall.